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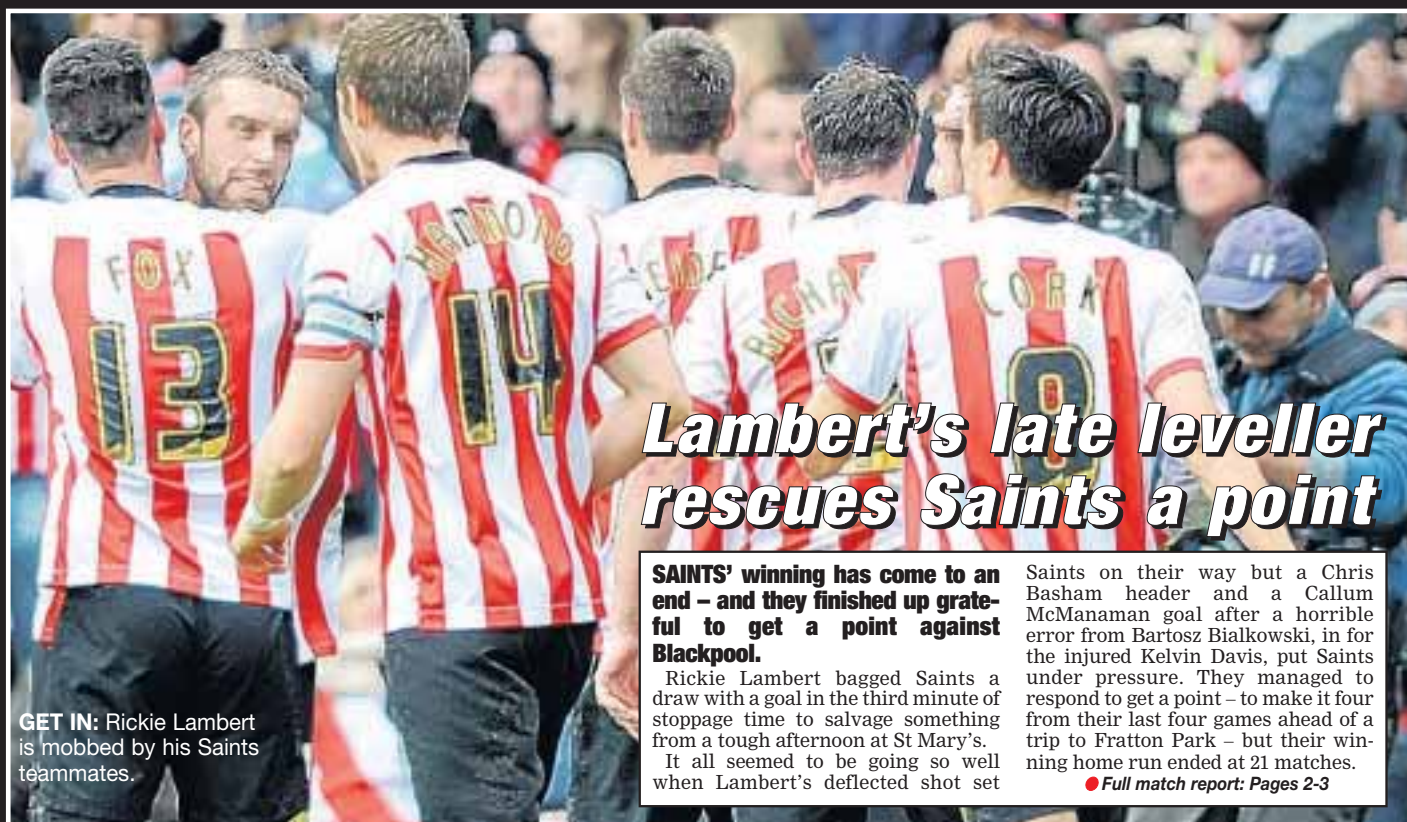
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RICKIE RIDES TO SAINTS' RESCUE



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RICKIE'S LATE SAINTS FROM

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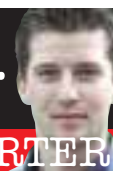
Bartosz Bialkowski's first touch was almost a disaster as he nearly spilled a cross into his own net after just four minutes.

It was a whipped ball from

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CHIEF SPORTS REPORTER



Matt Phillips from the right wing which looked like it would be a simple take, but Bialkowski failed to hold it cleanly as the ball bounced up and off his chest and he was happy to see it go wide.

Jos Hooiveld had the first half chance for Saints as he met Danny Fox's inswinging free kick but under pressure he put it well over.

It was an interesting start to the game with Saints playing some good stuff and putting plenty of pressure on the Blackpool defence.

However, Blackpool themselves showed that Gary Taylor-Fletcher's starting role as a lone striker was a nominal one as they quickly threw bodies forward to support him.

Bialkowski had another shaky moment on 14 minutes as Ludovic Sylvestre tried an ambitious strike from 25 yards that was well struck but probably should have been held or pushed wide by the keeper. He didn't though and when it bounced off him and back into the area it was fortunate it fell to a Saints body.

Good work from Guly do Prado up the other end saw him put a ball right across the face of goal but nobody was there to turn it home.

Moments later Saints produced a trademark move and came close again. Adam Lallana's chipped cross from the left found Lambert pulling deep, he headed back to Schneiderlin whose half volley

from ten yards out went just over.

Do Prado couldn't quite direct a header on target after a cross from Lambert from inside the area.

There was another decent Saints chance on 26 minutes as Schneiderlin delivered a superb low whipped cross from the right. Dean Hammond broke forward and stretched out a leg to meet it six yards out but couldn't quite direct it on target.

Saints did take the lead on the half hour mark with a goal that owed plenty to both Blackpool and luck.

Neil Eardley gave the ball away cheaply to Lallana, who found Cork in space in a central position just outside the area. He then pushed it on one more to Lambert, who took a touch before firing in a shot which took a huge deflection off the knee of Craig Cathcart and left Matt Gilks with no chance.

Blackpool were really rocking and Saints came close to doubling the lead twice in a minute.

Firstly, Do Prado's superb ball found Lambert, whose touch on his chest set him in one-on-one but his well struck half volley was superbly saved by Gilks.

Moments later the keeper had to save low down from Lallana's drive.

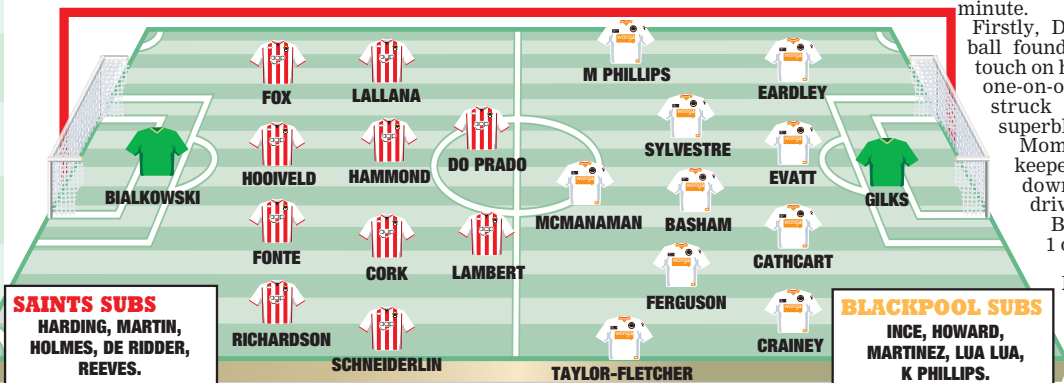
But instead it was 1-1 on 36 minutes.

Callum McManaman whipped in a great cross from the right, Chris Basham was just inside and

dived forward in the six yard box to direct home his header.

Blackpool almost took the lead themselves on 39 minutes as Matt Phillips drilled in a low shot from 25 yards, which struck the foot of the post and bounced out.

Ian Evatt became the first



THE big Saints team news was one stalwart back and one out for the visit of Blackpool.

Rickie Lambert was fit to return to the side after the hip injury which forced him off in the second half of the win over Hull and kept him out of the defeat

TEAM NEWS

against Blackpool.

He went back into attack alongside Guly Do Prado, with Morgan Schneiderlin moving to the right of midfield and Steve De Ridder dropping to the

bench.

But Kelvin Davis had to wait for his 250th Saints appearances after picking up a calf injury.

That meant Bartosz Bialkowski started in goal and there was no keeper amongst the subs.

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Saints Spotlight

run ended by stubborn Blackpool

STRIKE SAVES HOME DEFEAT



ABOVE: Rickie Lambert nods home Saints' late leveller.

RIGHT: Guly do Prado tries to conjure some magic for Saints.



player in the book for a trip on Do Prado.

When the half time whistle went an entertaining first period was deservedly level at 1-1.

Saints came flying out of the traps at the start of the second half and threatened a minute after the restart as Stephen Crainey gave the ball away but was relieved to see the resulting shot from Schneiderlin deflected over the bar.

But it was Blackpool who took the lead on 49 minutes courtesy of a howler from Bialkowski.

McManaman pushed on from the left and took a shot from the edge of the area.

It was low but straight at Bialkowski and seemed to be an easy take, but he let it squirm through his hands and then his body and

watched in horror as the ball trickled over the line.

Do Prado tried to rectify the situation six minutes later with a strong shot, but Gilks got down to his left and made the save at the second attempt after failing to take it first time round.

He had a much better chance shortly afterwards as the ball fell in the six yard box, but he headed it wide largely because of unwitting pressure from Hooiveld.

Hammond fired just wide after cutting in from the left moments later.

Lambert and Barry Ferguson both got booked after some pushing and shoving off the pitch.

Saints made a double change on 63 minutes with Steve De Ridder and Dan Harding replacing Fox and Hammond. De Ridder played

just in behind the strikers.

Schneiderlin was the next in the book for a foul on Phillips.

The midfielder then whipped in a deep free kick that didn't take a touch and Gilks did well to take.

Blackpool threw on former Saint Kevin Phillips on 75 minutes in place of McManaman.

Do Prado might have scored on 77 minutes, as Cork's dinked cross was met by his head, but it went just over.

Lallana then glanced a header goalwards, but it was comfortable for Gilks, before Basham got booked for a foul on Harding.

Saints were throwing everything at Blackpool and Hooiveld turned quickly in the area but fired wide.

Blackpool made a change

with Lomana LuaLua coming on for Basham.

De Ridder had a tough chance as the ball fell to him just inside the area but he put it well wide.

As the fourth official held up the board to show five minutes of added time, Saints had two penalty appeals turned down, both for shoves on Schneiderlin.

Thomas Ince came on for Matt Phillips before LuaLua fired into the side netting.

Saints' pressure paid off though three minutes into stoppage time as Frazer Richardson lifted a cross to the far post and Lambert dispatched the header for 2-2.

De Ridder felt the wrath of his teammates as he broke forward and Saints had a four on two advantage but he wasted it and the game ended level.

Satisfied Adkins refuses to pin blame on keeper

NIGEL Adkins described Saints' draw with Blackpool as a "good point" for his side.

Rickie Lambert salvaged the draw with yet another goal deep into stoppage time, just as it seemed Saints would slip to their first home league defeat for a year.

They managed to avoid that, but their winning streak of 20 home league games did come to an end with Ian Holloway's men bagging a deserved point. Adkins said:

"We've won a lot of games here.

"Unfortunately we went behind after being in front. I thought we did okay for a period of time, but Blackpool did well to put themselves in front.

"It was great character from our players because we kept going all the way towards the end and Rickie Lambert's popped up with an equalising goal towards the end and everybody's emotions are different to if the scoreline had been 2-1. "It was 2-2, a good point for us and another game

undefeated at St Mary's.

"It's not a win but it's not a defeat and what we'll do is analyse the game, but for now it was a good point."

The Saints boss, pictured also had words of sympathy for Bartosz Bialkowski, who had a terrible afternoon in goal having replaced the injured Kelvin Davis.

"It's always going to be challenging," he reflected.

"Bart's fantastic in training but it's can you perform in the arena?"

"I've got a lot of confidence in the lad and what we'll do is pick him up.

It happens, I've been in goal myself.

"Until you play in situations you don't know if you can deal with it or not and he'll be stronger for the situation that happened and the good thing is we've gone behind and didn't lose the game from it.

"We remained strong and kept going all the way until the end which shows the character we've got in the team. Yes passes went astray and we're a very good passing side but we ground out a result and that's important."



GET IN: Rickie Lambert is congratulated by his teammates after netting his late leveller.

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BEAUTIFUL SOUTH

BY DAREN WHEELER

PLEASE, NIGEL, BEAT POMPEY FOR MY MUM ... AND FOR MARKUS

WELL, this is it.

This week's Beautiful South column will be my last before Christmas as I fly out to Australia to spend the festive period with my brother and his family.

More importantly, it's my last article before the south coast derby.

For all the bravado, for all the talk of "It's just one game of 46 important games we have this season" every Saints fan I know is desperate for Saints to win this game and win it well.

It's more than just a football match. We all know it.

I've gone on long enough about the rights and wrongs of Portsmouth FC, nothing I can say or do will change a thing.

But what happens on the 18th will go a long way to righting those wrongs and taking this club forward.

It's with that in mind that I dedicate this column to an open letter to Nigel Adkins:

Dear Nigel,

Was it really 12th September 2010 that you were appointed Saints' manager?

It seems longer, it feels like we've known you for ages.

I remember that day so well, it was the day my mum, Valerie, lost her long battle against cancer and passed away in her sleep.

One of the last conversations I had with her was "Is Nigel Adkins the man to get Saints promoted?"

I told her you were, she smiled and left us a few days later.

I took great satisfaction from the fact I was right and how proud she would have been on the 6th of May 2011 when you took us to the Championship.

Thank you for that, I'll never forget that day or that season.

You're a smart man, I don't need to tell you what this derby match means to us.

You've been around in football long enough to know that derby games are special.

But this one? This one is extra special.

This one could mark a massive turning point in both clubs' history.



BEAT POMPEY FOR HER:
Valerie Wheeler.



BEAT POMPEY FOR HIM:
Markus Liebherr.

For those of us of the red and white persuasion it's the chance to move on and leave a sizeably annoying part of our recent history behind us.

The last five years have seen us fall spectacularly from grace, lose some of our brightest talents and see Pompey pass us by, spending money they didn't have winning trophies they should never have won, winning games they had no real right to.

I for one will never forget the gut-wrenching pain of seeing players who should never have been playing for Pompey scoring goals against us at St Mary's.

Revenge is long, long overdue...

We don't need to remind you of how important this game is, but for some of us who watched Harry Redknapp's startled rabbits capitulate at Fratton Park the last time we played there, you'll forgive us if we worry and fret.

We know, as per every game you've managed for us, the preparation work will be faultless, the tactics worked on over and over again and the players in tip-top condition.

But this is Pompey, this will be an atmosphere like no other we'll encounter this or any other season.

Trust me. It will be loud, it will be intimidating... but let me tell you one thing: It will only be for one game, for 90 minutes and then Fratton Park will be like it is every other week... half empty.

This is their cup final, their season hinges solely on this game.

Lose this and Pompey could spiral into oblivion.

Win this and Saints could take a giant stride towards not just promotion but the title itself.

Without stating the obvious, this game is massive.

Win it and you'll never have to buy a drink in Southampton again.

Everywhere you go you'll find an adoring Saints fan who'll be frothing at the mouth, desperate to buy you a drink and thank you for that one game.

Lose it and we'll still love you, but win it and you'll have the freedom of the city.

It's really that important to all of us.

But I'm splitting hairs here, Nigel.

As I stated before, you're a professional and I'm not here to teach you how to suck eggs.

What I will do is ask you to win this for my mum, who smiled when I told her you'd bring the good times back to Southampton.

Win it for Markus Liebherr whose vision brought us here.

Win it for everyone who's not here to relish the remarkable journey you've put us on.

Win this game and, believe it or not, we'll love you even more than we already do...



NIGEL ADKINS

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Paine's World

The Saints legend's **EXCLUSIVE** column on all things football

Hypocrites!

THE Football Association's successful appeal against Wayne Rooney's three-match Euro 2012 ban smacked of double standards to me.

If a Premier League club appealed to the FA over a similar incident, I am sure the three-match ban would remain and rightly so.

But as soon as the FA are on the wrong side of a suspension they are the first to appeal.

Rooney's kick at Montenegro's Miodrag Dzudovic warranted a sending off and a mandatory three-match ban – it was violent conduct.

It seems hypocritical to me for the FA to appeal to UEFA and I'm a little surprised they've taken this route considering the principles they spout.

But it would not surprise me if Rooney is unavailable for all three group games anyway.

The ban for the third match has only been suspended and will kick in if he is sent off for violent conduct in a Europe League game for Manchester United.

Right: Rooney stops to sign an autograph on the way to his hearing in Switzerland.



MANCHESTER MISERIES

NOT so long ago we thought Manchester would be the centre of Europe this season.

But, after United and City exited the Champions League this week, their seasons rest on success in the Premier League – and next month's FA Cup third-round tie.

For United, not qualifying for the knockout stages is a massive disappointment but came as little surprise to me.

The writing has been on the wall for a while. They have been winning 1-0 here and there without playing well, which is often said to be the sign of a good side.

United often kick on in the new year, but I've had a doubt about their make-up this year for a while.

I couldn't believe you could get 5-1 against FC Basel beating United and wasn't surprised by the result, having

left themselves in a difficult position.

Being out of the Champions League has probably cost them up to £20m as well as the embarrassment of having to take part in the Europa League. Losing Nemanja Vidic for the rest of the season completed a terrible night.

It was not much better for City, despite their win against Bayern Munich. They were always in a difficult group and the problems they had with Carlos Tevez refusing to play in their first game against Bayern Munich back in September did not help.

They were up against some quality sides, with Napoli also in their group, and were relying on other teams in the final round of games, which does not often work out.

European football is a step up and Roberto Mancini is still learning how to balance teams from Saturday to midweek.

They'll be better next year but United will have to make improvements to their squad.

It just isn't strong enough and they have huge problems at the back. They haven't had a settled back four all season and you can't expect to seamlessly replace Edwin van der Saar with a 20-year-old in David de Gea.

Vidic's calf injury at the start of season was disruptive and I'm not a great believer in playing people out of position. Chris Smalling is a centre-back, not a right back.

Injuries in vital areas have shown up a lack of depth – they were unfortunate to be without Javier Hernandez and Dimitar Berbatov in Basel – and that's been a telling factor.

Having played in three of the last four finals it seems strange for United to be exiting so early, but life goes on.



DISGRUNTLED: Carlos Tevez.

Big guns rooting for Blues

WITH London well represented in the Champions League's knockout stage, Chelsea now have a huge Premier League game against Manchester City to look forward to.

Chelsea and Arsenal must be confident of progressing to the Champions League quarter-finals after topping their groups to avoid the likes of Barcelona in the draw next weekend.

But it does not get any bigger than Chelsea v Man City in the Premier League. Chelsea produced their best showing for a while against Valencia and if they pull off another win against City it would throw the title race wide open.

Chelsea's record in big league games this season is not great – they have lost to United, Arsenal and Liverpool. But if they beat City they are back in the race.

It is safe to say the other contenders will be hoping they win their second big Stamford Bridge game this week.

Didier Drogba's form could be significant on Monday night. One minute we're all saying he's going to be leaving, then all of a sudden he's got two years left in the top flight!

He will be a big miss at the Africa Cup of Nations in the new year, but will be crucial to Chelsea's chances against City.

Sad for Peter

IT was sad to hear of the death of Peter Brown, who was with me at The Dell for a short period in the 1950s.

I knew Peter wasn't very well, having suffered from Parkinson's disease for a number of years, but I remember him as a lovely guy who always had a smile on his face.

We competed for the same spot so I never actually played with him in the first team. He also played down the right side, either as a winger or inside forward, and was a good athlete with plenty of energy.

My condolences go to his family, especially his wife, June, and his son Kevan, who played several games for Saints reserves.

DISASTER:
Nemanja Vidic goes down in pain during Manchester United's Champions League defeat.



Right man for job

THERE is no doubt that Martin O'Neill is the right man for Sunderland.

He has all the experience required, having been there and done it with Celtic, Leicester City and Aston Villa. Whatever Premier League job came up, he was always going to be on top of the list. But it won't be easy for him at Sunderland.

Things won't work overnight, but he has great qualities. No doubt having one of the great mentors in the late Brian Clough has helped him and it's about time he got back in the game. Mark Hughes would have been another good choice but O'Neill was the perfect candidate. These are exciting times for Sunderland.



Fratton Park, December 18, 2011

Pompey v Saints

MIXED EMOTIONS WAY



TUSSLE: Paul Telfer at Fratton Park in 2005.



GOAL: Mick Channon scores v Pompey in 1975.



LOOKING UP: Mark Wright, Fratton Park 1984.



ON THE BALL: Steve Williams, Fratton Park 1984.



ON THE BALL: Neil Heaney, Saints v Pompey 1996 FA Cup.



GOAL: Saints beat Pompey 3-0 in the 1995/96 FA Cup.

THE first Saints v Pompey league derby for over six years takes place at Fratton Park next weekend.

Here, the Sports Pink looks back at some key dates in the two clubs' fierce rivalry ...

September 11, 1920

The first ever Football League meeting of the two Hampshire rivals sees Saints record a 2-0 Dell victory against Pompey in the old Third Division South.

On the same day, Bradford Park Avenue beat Yorkshire rivals Sheffield United 2-0 in the top flight while Huddersfield beat Bradford City in another First Division derby.

August 27 1960

Saints record their highest Football League home win against Pompey, winning 5-1 – just three days after caning Liverpool 4-1 at The Dell in a Second Division encounter.

In what was the two clubs' first clash since 1927, Saint net through Cliff Huxford, George O'Brien, Terry Paine, Tommy Mulgrew and a Jimmy Dickinson own goal.

Saints finish their first season back in the second tier in eighth, while Pompey are 21st and relegated.

February 5 1966

Norman Dean scores a hat-trick as Saints romp to their highest ever win at Fratton Park, 5-2. Ted Bates' men, who began the day in fifth place with their hosts 15th, eventually climb to second to win promotion to the top flight for the first time ever.

Martin Chivers nets the other two Saints goals.

September 14 1974

Saints were still searching for their first Second Division win of the season after three draws and three losses when Pompey visited for the first league derby for over eight years. They duly got it, winning 2-1 thanks to a Peter Osgood brace.

April 6 1976

Two days after reaching the FA Cup final, Saints went to Fratton Park and virtually condemned their arch rivals to relegation.

After Mick Channon's late goal had given fifth placed Saints victory, Pompey were left 10 points adrift of fourth bottom Carlisle with just five games left – and there were only two points for a win in those days!

Earlier in the season Pompey had conspired to lose nine successive Second Division games.

April 29 1978

Has there ever been a better day to be a Saints fan?

Not only did Lawrie Mac's men celebrate promotion back to the top flight with a 0-0 draw at home to Tottenham – whose point guaranteed them promotion too – but



WINNER: Kevin Phillips celebrates his goal against Pompey at St Mary's in November 2004.

Pompey were playing the final game of a season which left them rooted to the bottom of the old Third Division.

A run of just two wins from their opening 17 matches saw them entrenched in the drop zone and they never recovered, suffering a second relegation in three seasons – something Saints have never managed to do.

August 19 1978

As Saints return to the top flight with a 3-1 loss at Norwich, so Pompey begin their first ever spell in the old Fourth Division by losing 1-0 at home to Bradford City. Three days later Pompey lose again, 5-3 at York, and are only kept off the bottom of the Football League on goal difference.

January 30 1982

Saints go top of the Football League for the first time in their

history after winning 1-0 at Middlesbrough. After 22 games, they lead by a point from Ron Atkinson's Manchester United.

As for Pompey, a 0-0 home draw against Southend leaves them 19th in the Third Division, just two points outside the relegation area.

As a result, Saints are now 61 places above Pompey in the league.

January 28 1984

The first south coast derby for almost eight years sees Saints win the same way they did in 1976 – 1-0 with a late goal, this time from Steve Moran.

At the time Saints were sixth in the top flight with Pompey, managed by Alan Ball, 11th in the old Second Division.

August 22, 1987

A historic day at Fratton Park with the first top flight derby between the clubs ending 2-2.

January 3, 1988

Alan Ball returns to The Dell to mastermind Pompey's 2-0 victory – their first win against Saints February 1964, almost 24 years earlier.

As a result, Pompey move out of the First Division drop zone, but go on to lose nine of their last 12 league games and are relegated after just one season rubbing shoulders with the elite.

December 21, 2003

As hard as it is to believe now, Saints jumped into the Champions League places after caning Pompey 3-0 at St Mary's four days before Christmas seven years ago.

In contrast, Pompey were in the relegation zone.

Sebastien Schemmel's first half own goal put Saints on the way to victory, before Marian Pahars and James Beattie sealed a superb day for Saints fans.

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Fratton Park, December 18, 2011



Pompey v Saints



BACK IN APRIL, 1978!

MEMORABLE: Marian Pahars celebrates his goal in December 2003 with James Beattie.



March 21 2004
A Yakubu goal gave Pompey their first victory over Saints since 1988. It was also their first home league win against their arch rivals since 1963!

Saints, managed for only the second time by Paul Sturrock, had entered the game 11th in the Premiership with Harry Redknapp's Pompey in the relegation zone.

Pompey won four of their next five games and duly avoided the drop, Yakubu scoring four on the last day in a 5-1 home win over Middlesbrough.

The same Yakubu who scored four in the top flight only last weekend, for Blackburn against Swansea.

November 13 2004

Saints beat Pompey 2-1 at St Mary's to give Steve Wigley has

first win in charge at the 11th attempt.

The hosts began the day in the drop zone but moved up to 17th after goals from Dexter Blackstock and Kevin Phillips.

Pompey dropped from 10th to 11th as a result.

Harry Redknapp was Pompey manager that day, and he would return to the dug-outs at St Mary's the following month – as Saints boss.

It is the last time Saints beat their arch rivals.

January 29, 2005

FA Cup fate draws the two clubs together at St Mary's, pairing Harry Redknapp against his former employers.

Ex-Pompey striker Peter Crouch nets a dramatic last minute penalty winner to give Saints, four places beneath their visitors in the Premiership at the time, a 2-1 suc-

cess.

April 24 2005

Harry Redknapp's first return to Fratton Park as an opposing managers is a nightmare as Pompey thrash his Saints side 4-1. Lomana Lua Lua scores twice with all the goals coming in the first 27 minutes.

It is the 36th – and so far last – Saints v Pompey league encounter and the first time that Pompey have scored more than three goals in a game.

May 15 2005

Pompey contribute heavily to Saints dropping out of the top flight for the first time in 27 years.

With nothing to play for, Pompey lose 2-0 at West Bromwich Albion, enabling the hosts to jump off the bottom of the table and to safety.

Saints, who started the final day of the season needing to beat

Manchester United to guarantee their own safety, lose 2-1 at St Mary's and finish rock bottom.

May 17 2008

Harry Redknapp guides Pompey to FA Cup final glory in the battle of two ex-Saints bosses with Dave Jones' Cardiff.

April 25 2009

Saints' relegation to League One is confirmed after a 2-2 home draw with Burnley.

For the first time since the 1950s, Saints are now playing two divisions below Pompey.

August 15 2009

Pompey's last season in the Premiership begins with defeat – the same result they will record in the next six matches as well.

Rooted to the foot of the top flight, Pompey are exactly two divisions ahead of Saints, who start their first season in the third tier since 1960 rock bottom after suffering a ten-point deduction for entering administration the previous April.

December 19 2009

Almost two years ago next weekend, Pompey defeated Liverpool 2-0 in a Premiership game while Saints were losing 1-0 at Leeds United in League 1.

At the time Pompey were bottom of the Premiership, but still 39 places above Saints – Alan Pardew's men stranded in 15th in the third tier.

February 13 2010

Saints, 36 places and two divisions below their arch rivals in the league, are beaten 4-1 at St Mary's in an FA Cup fifth round tie.

Three of the Pompey goals are scored by loanees – Jamie O'Hara, substitute Quincy Owusu-Abeyie and Aruna Dindane.

Rickie Lambert replies.

February 28 2010

Pompey become the first Premiership club to ever be deducted points for entering administration.

They are docked nine points, but still finish 11 points adrift of safety a few months later as their seven-season top flight lifespan is ended.

May 7 2011

Saints' 3-1 home win over Walsall officially confirms their automatic promotion and league games against Pompey for the first time since 2005.

On the same day, Pompey finish their Championship season 16th after a 1-1 draw at bottom club Scunthorpe.

Pompey had never been higher than 11th in a difficult first season after relegation from the top flight.

August 6 2011

For the first time since 2004, Saints are above Pompey in the Football League – Nigel Adkins' men defeating Leeds United 3-1 on the opening day of the season while Pompey draw 2-2 at Middlesbrough.



DRAMATIC: Mick Channon's late winner, April 1976.



SPOT ON: Peter Crouch scores late on, January 2005.



EYE ON THE BALL: Ian Baird, right, and Kevin Bond, 1987.



SMILES BETTER: Dexter Blackstock scores, Nov 2004.



SMILES BETTER: James Beattie scores, December 2003.



CUP HERO: Mark Wright at Fratton Park, 1984.

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Sports Quiz

- 1 Against which side did Sachin Tendulkar score the first ODI double century?
- 2 Which team is currently top of the Blue Square Bet Premier?
- 3 Who is the top ranked male American tennis player?
- 4 In rugby union, when did Graham Rowntree last play for England?
- 5 Who did Amir Khan beat for the WBA light welterweight title?
- 6 Who did England beat in their opening match of the 2011 Rugby World Cup?
- 7 Name two of the four super-middleweight fighters – other than Carl Froch or Andre Ward – who formed part of the original Super Six series line-up?
- 8 In which season did Manchester United last play in the UEFA Cup, the forerunner of the Europa League?
- 9 Who won the 2011 Fed Cup tennis tournament?
- 10 Which Champions League last 16 qualifiers are coached by Remi Garde?
- 11 In rugby union, Ugo Monye plays for which club side?
- 12 England wicketkeeper Matt Prior has been awarded a benefit year by which county?
- 13 Which club won the FA Cup in 1978?
- 14 Where will the 2013 World Athletics Championships be held?
- 15 Boxer Amir Khan celebrated which birthday this week?
- 16 From which club did Manchester United sign Nemanja Vidic in 2006?
- 17 Which golfer is the reigning US PGA champion?
- 18 Mohammad Nazimuddin plays international cricket for which side?
- 19 Candlestick Park is home to which NFL team?
- 20 Rafael Nadal has won how many grand slam tennis singles titles?



TENDULKAR



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Answers

1 South Africa; 2 Wrexham; 3 Marry Fish; 4 2006; 5 Andreas Kotelnik; 6 Argentina; 7 Mikkel Kessler; 8 Arthur Dirrell; 9 The Czech Republic; 10 Lyon; 11 Hardeguins; 12 Sussex; 13 Ipswich Town; 14 Moscow; 15 26th; 16 Spartak Moscow; 17 Keegan Bradley; 18 Bangladesh; 19 San Francisco 49ers; 20.



Fratton Park, December 18, 2011

Pompey v Saints

Pompey's off-field

The list of owners just goes on and on

SO much has changed, on and off the field, since the last Saints v Pompey south coast league derby over six years ago.

Back in April 2005 Harry Redknapp was in charge of Saints, with Rupert Lowe chairman.

Milan Mandaric, the man who hired Redknapp in the first place before falling out with him, was Pompey chairman.

Lowe had been head of Saints' parent company Southampton Leisure Holdings PLC since 1997 while Mandaric had been Pompey's chairman since rescuing the club from potential oblivion in 1999.

But both had relinquished power within a year and a few months.

Following Redknapp's sensational return to Pompey in December 2005, Lowe was ousted as chairman the following summer.

By that stage, Mandaric had welcomed Russian Alexandre Gaydemak to Fratton Park, initially as co-owner but later as very much the main man.

Chain of events

That set off a chain of events which has seen Pompey have a variety of foreign owners.

Controversy and mystery have followed each other seemingly without end, culminating in the latest owner – Vladimir Antonov – tendering his resignation at the end of last month.

Saints fans will say their club has seen quite a few boardroom upheavals since that depressing day at Fratton Park in April 2005.

But Pompey's tale of woe – six owners in as many years, from Mandaric right the way through to Antonov – is even more remarkable.

Here, *the Sports Pink* charts the extraordinary tale that has been Portsmouth's off the field affairs in the last six years.

December 7 2005 – Almost a year to the day since being controversially appointed Saints manager, Harry Redknapp resigns his post at St Mary's to make a remarkable return to Fratton Park.

January 2006 – Alexandre Gaydemak becomes co-owner of



FLASHBACK: Milan Mandaric, main picture, with Harry Redknapp in 2004 and, above, welcoming Alexandre Gaydamak to Fratton Park in 2006.

Pompey alongside Milan Mandaric. The same month Pompey break their transfer record to sign striker Benjani from Auxerre for £4.1m.

July 2006 – Gaydamak becomes sole owner of the club with Mandaric staying on as non-executive chairman until later that year. Mandaric then leaves Pompey altogether to take over as Leicester City chairman.

January 2008 – Pompey break

their transfer record to sign England striker Jermaine Defoe from Tottenham for £6m.

May 17 2008 – Redknapp guides Pompey to FA Cup final success.

July 2008 – Pompey shatter their transfer record by signing Peter Crouch for around £11m from Liverpool. Crouch had previously joined Pompey for £1.5m in 1999 from QPR.

October 25 2008 – Harry Redknapp leaves for the second time, joining Tottenham.

May 26 2009 – Gaydemak accepts a bid from Sulaiman Al Fahim to take control at Fratton Park.

July 21 2009 – Al Fahim is appointed non-executive chairman.

August 19 2009 – A rival consortium, headed by then current chief executive Peter Storie, had also

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tales of misery ...



RECORD SIGNING: Peter Crouch cost Pompey £11m when they signed him in 2008.



HAPPIER TIMES: Milan Mandaric with Rupert Lowe in 2004.



CHEER UP, HARRY: Redknapp joins Saints, 2004.



made a bid for Pompey. Unknown at the time, this bid was backed by Ali Al-Faraj.

August 26 2009 – Al Fahim completes his takeover.

October 1 2009 – Portsmouth admits that players and staff have not been paid.

October 5 2009 – A deal is agreed for Al-Faraj and his associates – via a company called Falcondrone – to

hold a 90 per cent majority holding in Pompey.

Al-Fahim, who has been in charge for less than two months, retains a 10 per cent stake and the title of non-executive chairman for two years.

October 2009 – Pompey are placed under a transfer embargo.

December 2009 – Pompey players are not paid for a second month.

January 28 2010 – Pompey's

website is shut-down for three hours as the club are unable to pay a bill.

February 4 2010 – Balram Chainrai takes over Al-Faraj's 90 per cent stake after Al Faraj, of whom little was ever known in his native Saudi Arabia, defaulted on loan payments to him.

It was even claimed that Al Faraj didn't actually exist.

He was supposed to be the major shareholder in Saudi Arabian

chemical giant Sabic and a Middle East property advisor.

But it transpired the company was owned by the Saudi government, with nobody at the company having ever heard of him!

Chainrai's company, Portpin, takes a controlling interest in the club over late payments of a £17m loan it made to Al-Faraj to finance his takeover of the club.

February 26 2010 – Club enters administration, the first ever Premier League outfit to do so. Pompey, already bottom of the table, have nine points deducted.

April 9 2010 – David Lampitt appointed chief executive of Pompey.

April 2010 – Reports suggest Pompey owe a combined total of £38.2million to previous owners, including Gaydamak and Sulaiman al Fahim, out of a total debt of £119m.

June 17 2010 – Company Voluntary Agreement agreed with creditors with a 81.3% majority. HRMC appeal due to a considerable debt reduction.

August 2010 – Mr Justice Mann hears HMRC's case at the High Court in London, but their appeal is turned down.

Balram Chainrai looks to complete takeover of Portsmouth (deal is concluded in coming months).

October 22 2010 – Pompey claim they might have to cease trading and face liquidation. £2.5m is demanded up front by previous owner Gaydamak.

October 23 2010 – Chainrai completes deal to take over club. The deal underwrites the CVA and takes Portsmouth out of administration.

Lampitt hopes for stability under Chainrai in future.

June 1 2011 – Convers Sports Initiatives, owned by Vladimir Antonov, takes over Portsmouth from Balram Chainrai.

CSI have a number of other sporting interests, and are the promoters of the World Rally Championship.

November 23 2011 – European arrest warrant for Antonov over allegations of asset-stripping.

November 29 2011 – Antonov resigns.

November 30 2011 – Previous administrators of Portsmouth, UHY Hacker Young, appointed to CSI. Androu Andronikou had previously overseen Pompey's administration between February and October 2010.

Down Memory Lane



December 11, 1965

Martin Chivers gets his second in the 89th minute to round off a 4-1 Dell win over Plymouth Argyle. Terry Paine and John Sydenham also score.

December 11, 1971

Having been 3-0 down after just 26 minutes, Saints bounce back to claim a 3-3 draw against West Ham at The Dell as Terry Paine equalises with ten minutes to spare. James Gabriel and Micky Channon had earlier kickstarted the recovery.

December 11, 1982

Second half goals from Steve Moran, right, and Danny Wallace give Saints a 2-0 home win over Birmingham City.



December 12 1987

Andy Townsend's equaliser makes it 2-2 against Liverpool at The Dell, as Saints fight back from John Barnes' early brace. Colin Clarke also scores.

December 12, 1992

Saints equalise twice to earn a home draw against Coventry, Neil Maddison and Ian Dowie the scorers.

December 13, 1997

Francis Benali is famously the match winner after Matt Le Tissier's earlier goal, as Saints beat Leicester City 2-1 at The Dell. It is Benali's only senior goal in over 300 appearances for the club. He is pictured celebrating above.



December 14, 1957

Braces from Terry Paine, Don Roper and Derek Reeves, plus a goal from John Hoskins, seal Saints' 7-3 victory over Norwich at The Dell.

December 14, 1963

John McGuigan and John Sydenham grab Saints a 2-2 draw at Charlton.

December 15, 2001

Sunderland's Jody Craddock slices one into his own net, before Marian Pahars nets a brilliant goal to seal a 2-0 Dell victory.



December 16, 1961

Plymouth Argyle lay on the punishment as Ted Bates' men are hammered 4-0 away.

December 16, 1978

Malcolm Waldron, above, Trevor Hebbard, Phil Boyer and Graham Baker are on target as Saints thrash Coventry City 4-0 at The Dell.

December 17, 1977

A Ted MacDougall goal is the difference between Southampton and Blackpool at Bloomfield Road.

Cricket
Stats

VIRENDER Sehwag rewrote the record books this week when he hammered the highest ever one day international innings of 219 for India against the West Indies.

Here, the Sports Pink lists the highest ODI 20 innings of all time ...

219 V Sehwag, India v West Indies, Indore, 2011

200 SR Tendulkar, India v South Africa, Captain Roop Singh Stadium, Gwalior, 2009/10

194 Saeed Anwar, Pakistan v India MA, Chidambaram Stadium, Chepauk, Chennai, 1996/97

194 CK Coventry, Zimbabwe v Bangladesh Queens Sports Club, Bulawayo, 2009

189 IVA Richards, West Indies v England Old Trafford, Manchester, 1984

189 ST Jayasuriya, Sri Lanka v India Sharjah Cricket Association Stadium, 2000/01

188 G Kirsten, South Africa v United Arab Emirates, Rawalpindi, 1995/96

186 SR Tendulkar, India v New Zealand, Lal Bahadur Shastri Stadium, Hyderabad, 1999/00



SEHWAG

185 SR Watson, Australia v Bangladesh, Shere Bangla National Stadium, Mirpur, 2010/11

183 SC Ganguly, India v Sri Lanka, County Ground, Taunton, 1999

183 MS Dhoni, India v Sri Lanka, Sawai Mansingh Stadium, Jaipur, 2005/06

181 IVA Richards, West Indies v Sri Lanka National Stadium, Karachi, 1987/88

181 ML Hayden, Australia v New Zealand Seddon Park, Hamilton, 2006/07

178 H Masakadza, Zimbabwe v Kenya Harare Sports Club, 2009/10

177 PR Stirling, Ireland v Canada, Toronto Cricket, Skating and Curling Club, 2010

175 Kapil Dev, India v Zimbabwe, Tunbridge Wells, 1983

175 HH Gibbs, South Africa v Australia New Wanderers Stadium, Johannesburg, 2005/06

175 SR Tendulkar, India v Australia, Rajiv Gandhi International Stadium, Uppal, Hyderabad, 2009/10

175 V Sehwag, India v Bangladesh, Shere Bangla National Stadium, Mirpur, 2010/11

173 ME Waugh, Australia v West Indies, Melbourne, 2000/01

172 CB Wishart, Zimbabwe v Namibia, Harare, 2002/03

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Reliving Saints victories



FLASHBACK: Never before seen pictures from Saints' 2-1 win at Pompey on Boxing Day 1974. Order no: 13583313, 13584536, 13583924.



GUARD OF HONOUR: Pompey players line up to clap Saints out at Fratton Park in 1976 a few days after they had reached the FA Cup final. Order no: 13584760 (above left) and 13584676.



DERBY TRIUMPH: Previously unpublished pictures from Saints' 2-1 win at Fratton Park in 1974. Order no: 13583933, 13583424, 13583445.

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at Pompey in the 70s ...



FLASHBACK: Fans pack onto the terraces to see Saints win 2-1 at Fratton Park in 1974. Order no: 13582781 (above) and 13580466 (below)



FLASHBACK: Saints go for goal at Fratton Park, below. 13584577



FLASHBACK: Peter Osgood, below, goes for goal on Boxing Day, 1974. Order no: 13583374.



Harry is backed for the England hot seat

FORMER Pompey manager Tony Pulis believes fellow ex-Pompey man and former Saints boss Harry Redknapp is the ideal man to manage England.

Redknapp, pictured below, is already the bookmakers' favourite to succeed Fabio Capello when his contract expires after next summer's European Championships.

Pulis has regularly championed the cause of his friend and Tottenham's form over the last two seasons has only strengthened that belief.

"I've known Harry for a long time; he's a very good judge of a player as he bought me in 1986," joked the Potters boss, referring to his move to Bournemouth from Newport County.

"It has to be an English manager this time and you look at everyone out there and his credentials are better than anyone else's.

"For me there is only one Englishman who could really do the job and he is at the right time in his career – though Tottenham won't like me saying it.

"He has everything. Man-management is important, especially today with the egos you have to deal with in professional football – he knows how to handle people.

"He understands and recognises the game and how stressful it can be at times and how up and down players can be.

"He gets the best out of players; if you look at his record it is absolutely fantastic.

"He has gone to a club that potentially could be a top club and he took them close in the Champions League last year (reaching the quarter-finals) and they are a better side this year than last."

The pair will come face-to-face at the Britannia Stadium on Sunday but it is only a fortnight or so since the last time they met.

Early last month Redknapp underwent a heart procedure and during his convalescence Pulis paid a visit.

"I went down and had a coffee with him a couple of weeks ago when he had his operation.

"He was talking about football with passion as he always does.

"I read a quote the other day that this is probably the closest they have got to the 1960/61 side that won the double under Bill Nicholson and I would say that is entirely down to Harry."



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QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"If Martin O'Neill is sat in the stand, they will be running around like scalded cats trying to impress" - **Wolves boss Mick McCarthy** ahead of the game with Sunderland.

"It's an absolute disgrace. Scott Parker is one of my favourite players but if he is in a goalscoring position near the halfway line then he is a genius" - **Bolton chairman Phil Gartside** is less than impressed with referee **Stuart Attwell's** decision to send off Gary Cahill for his challenge on Tottenham midfielder **Parker**.

"If I have a good year I should be on the ballot for comeback player of the year, so I'm excited about that. So hopefully next year I can get on that ballot" - **Tiger Woods**, right, after his first tournament victory since November 2009 at the Chevron World Challenge.



"This week's been difficult and it's obviously dedicated to Gary. The biggest tribute we can do is, come April and May, we can get into the Premier League, where Gary spent a huge amount of his career and was very successful" - **Leeds boss Simon Grayson** on Gary Speed.

"Gary was an Evertonian and his dad realises that, but that's why they're all here today because this is where it all started 28 years ago. We signed on here with his mum and dad and my mum and dad and my dad met Roger this morning, which was very nice" - **Grayson following Leeds' tribute to Speed** prior to the 2-0 victory over Millwall.



"I haven't really started thinking about my playing future yet. Once I get some down time, then I'll obviously think what is going to be best. I'm going to spend some time with the family and have a good Christmas. I might make (my decision) before it, I might be able to make it after it, but we'll see" - **Still no decision over his playing future from David Beckham**, above.

"The players don't really matter, so **** the players. Barry's just there to make money for himself, it doesn't really matter about the players. The whole tradition of the game is going to pot. It's not all about bringing people in to watch and have a good time, shouting and having a drink. He (Hearn) needs to get away from the darts factor" - **Mark Allen vents his fury over Barry Hearn's changes to the format of snooker's UK Championship**.



"He won the ball. He probably upset the referee with his follow-through but it's not his fault there's somebody standing there" - **Liverpool manager Kenny Dalglish**, pictured, reapportions the blame in novel fashion after Jay Spearing's dismissal for making studs-first contact with the shin of Fulham's Mousa Dembele.

"We have to be prepared for the ridicule about playing in the Europa League. But no matter what gets said we will respect the tournament and try to win it" - **Rio Ferdinand's take on Manchester United's involvement in the competition**.

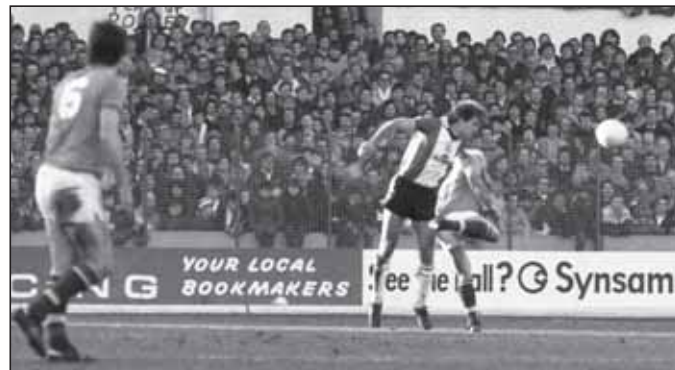


Pompey v Saints

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Memories of Saints' dramatic



FLASHBACK: Never before seen pictures from Saints' FA Cup success at Fratton Park in 1984. Order nos 13592803 (left) & 13592807



DEFENDING: Mark Dennis prevents Alan Biley, left, and Neil Webb, right, from getting through. Order no 13592801 (left) & 13592747



UNDER ATTACK: Mark Wright, left, goes up for a header while Alan Biley, right, looks for a pass. Order no 13592740 (left) & 13592743



CUP ACTION: David Armstrong, left, wins a header while Nick Holmes, right, prepares for a cross. Order no 13592685 (left) & 13592700



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Pompey v Saints

last victory at Fratton Park ...



CUP ACTION: Mark Wright, left, wins a header while Danny Wallace, right, makes a pass. Order no 13592640 (left) & 13592788.



ON THE ATTACK: Saints look for a way through at Fratton Park. Order no 13592683 (left) & 13592792



DERBY TUSSLES: Frank Worthington, left, climbs high while Steve Williams, right, is in possession. Order no 13592633 (left) & 13592665



WINNERS: Mick Mills, left, on the ball while Steve Moran, right, fires in Saints' last minute winner. Order no 13592674 (left) & 13592696



BOOK of the WEEK

Fred Trueman:
The Authorised Biography
By Chris Waters

Sports book of the month price £11.00,
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Following a hugely successful cricketing career, Fred Trueman was probably the first 'professional Yorkshireman' to appear on our radios and televisions after he finished playing.

Opinionated, obdurate and invariably outspoken, these features eventually did for Fred's regular appearances on Test Match Special.

They also served him well throughout a remarkably productive professional cricket career, during which he became the first man to take 300 Test wickets.

There have been 23 others who have reached the same landmark since Fred first achieved it in 1964, but his was an extraordinary feat in an era when far fewer Test matches were played.

Until now, John Arlott's biography of Trueman, published in 1971, had been the definitive article, but Chris Waters has produced a marvellously well-researched book which delves deeper into the cricketer's past, largely thanks to the author's impressive research and the explicit help of Trueman's remaining family.

It provides us with a clearer idea of why Fred had so much more 'personal momentum' than many of his middle-class teammates.

Fred Trueman was the fourth of seven children, born in 1931 within the shadow of Maltby Colliery, where his father worked for four decades. As an infant, he slept in a sideboard drawer because the family could not afford another cot.

Leaving school at 14, he worked briefly at the mine and tried a host of other unsuitable jobs before securing a contract with Yorkshire.

He made his England debut at 21, an aggressive fast bowler always capable of uttering the fruitiest of language, either when things didn't go his way or to a departing batsman.

He was one of the first to appreciate that he wasn't trying to win a popularity contest – he was playing professional sport, a considerably better alternative to working down the pit.

It's an approach drip-fed into Australians from birth.

His cussedness and ambivalent attitude towards authority was a wider reflection of the sixties, yet despite being a national hero, Trueman was treated much differently to the way in which cricketers are today and the game's 'blazers' ensured he never became Yorkshire captain, nor won more than 67 England caps.

Athletic and powerful and never afraid to speak his mind, Trueman was one of Britain's first modern-day sportsmen to become a celebrity.

Harold Wilson called him the greatest living Yorkshireman; this book explains why.

● We've teamed up with Sports Book of the Month & have three copies copy of *Fred Trueman: The Authorised Biography* to give away. To win this week's sports book, go to their website (sportsbookofthemonth.com) and answer the following question:

In what year did Fred Trueman retire from first class cricket?

Answers must be received no later than midnight on 16 December 2011



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SAINTS' FIRST TEAM FIXTURES AND RESULTS 2011/12

															
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Sat 6 Leeds	W 3-1	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Martin	Harding	Do Prado**	Hammond*** 1	Cork	Lallana 1	Lambert	Connolly* 1	De Ridder*	Chaplow**	Schneiderlin***
Tues 9 Torquay (CC1)	W 4-1	Bialkowski	Butterfield	Seaborne	Martin	Dickson	De Ridder** 1	Chaplow 1	Cork	Holmes*	Lambert 1	Do Prado***	Lallana*	Hammond**	Forte*** 1
Sat 13 Barnsley	W 1-0	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Seaborne	Harding	Do Prado*	Hammond	Cork	Lallana***	Lambert	Connolly*** 1	Chaplow*	De Ridder**	Schneiderlin***
Tues 16 Ipswich	A	W 5-2	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Harding	Do Prado*	Hammond	Cork	Lallana*** 2	Lambert 2	Connolly*** 1	Schneiderlin*	Fox**	De Ridder***
Sat 20 Millwall	H	W 1-0	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Harding	Do Prado 1	Hammond*	Cork	Lallana**	Lambert	Connolly**	Schneiderlin*	Fox**	De Ridder***
Sat 27 Leicester	A	L 2-3	Davis	Richardson*	Fonte	Harding*** 1	Do Prado**	Hammond	Cork	Lallana	Lambert	Connolly 1	Schneiderlin*	De Ridder**	Fox***
Tues 30 Swindon (CC2)	A	W 3-1	Bialkowski	Richardson	Seaborne	Harding	Holmes**	Schneiderlin	Cork	Lallana	Forte* 1	Do Prado*** 1	Lambert* 1	Hammond**	Hoskins***
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Sat 10 Nottm Forest	H	W 3-2	Davis	Cork	Fonte	Fox	Do Prado*	Hammond	Hammond	Lallana	Lambert 3	Connolly**	Chaplow*	De Ridder**	Schneiderlin***
Sun 18 Birmingham	H	W 4-1	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Fox	Do Prado* 1	Hammond	Cork**	Lallana*** 1	Lambert 1	Connolly	Chaplow* 1	Schneiderlin**	De Ridder***
Wed 21 Preston (CC3)	H	W 2-1	Bialkowski	Butterfield	Martin	Dickson	De Ridder*	Schneiderlin	Chaplow	Holmes	Reeves	Forte***	Lallana* 1	Forte**	Lambert***
Sat 24 Burnley	A	D 1-1	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Fox	Do Prado*	Hammond***	Cork	Lallana	Lambert	Connolly	Chaplow*	Schneiderlin* 1	
Wed 28 Cardiff	A	L 1-2	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Fox	Do Prado	Schneiderlin	Cork**	Lallana	Lambert	Connolly	De Ridder* 1	Chaplow**	
OCTOBER															
Sat 1 Watford	H	W 4-0	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Fox	De Ridder*	Hammond	Cork**	Lallana***	Lambert 2	Do Prado 1	Chaplow*	Schneiderlin**	Holmes*** 1
Sat 15 Derby	A	D 1-1	Davis	Richardson**	Fonte	Fox	Do Prado***	Schneiderlin	Cork	Chaplow*	Lambert 1	Connolly	De Ridder*	Hammond**	Harding***
Tues 18 West Ham	H	W 1-0	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Fox	Do Prado**	Hammond	Schneiderlin	Chaplow*	Lambert	Connolly**	Harding*	De Ridder***	
Sat 22 Reading	A	D 1-1	Davis	Richardson	Fonte*	Fox	Do Prado***	Hammond	Cork	Chaplow	Lambert	Connolly**	Martin*	De Ridder** 1	Schneiderlin***
Tues 25 Crystal Palace (CC4)	A	L 0-2	Bialkowski	Butterfield	Martin	Harding	De Ridder	Ward-Prowse	Schneiderlin	Holmes**	Reeves***	Forte*	Barnard*	Lambert***	Do Prado***
Sat 29 Middlesbrough	H	W 3-0	Davis	Butterfield	Fonte	Fox	Chaplow	Hammond***	Cork	Lallana**	Lambert	Do Prado* 2	Connolly* 1	Schneiderlin**	De Ridder***
NOVEMBER															
Tues 1 Peterborough	H	W 2-1	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Harding	Chaplow*** 1	Hammond	Schneiderlin	Lallana**	Lambert	Do Prado*	De Ridder*	Connolly**	Cork***
Sat 5 Coventry	A	W 4-2	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Fox	Chaplow* 1	Cork	Schneiderlin	Lallana*** 1	Lambert	Do Prado*** 1	Hammond*	De Ridder** 1	Connolly***
Sat 19 Brighton	H	W 3-0	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Fox	Chaplow	Hammond*	Cork	Lallana**	Lambert 3	Do Prado***	Schneiderlin*	De Ridder**	Barnard***
Sat 26 Bristol City	A	L 0-2	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Fox	Chaplow	Hammond*	Cork	Lallana*	Lambert	Do Prado***	Schneiderlin*	De Ridder**	Barnard***
Tues 29 Hull	H	W 2-1	Davis	Richardson	Fonte	Harding	Schneiderlin	Hammond	Cork*	Lallana 1	Lambert**	Do Prado*** 1	De Ridder*	Barnard**	Holmes***
DECEMBER															
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No fear ahead of derby clash

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IT has been circled on the calendar for months – the jokes about earthquake damage causing millions of pounds worth of improvements have been down to death, as have the threats of keyboard warriors on either side of the divide.

That's right, it's derby time again.

Almost two years since the last one and much has changed.

For one, we are now back in the position that most Saints fans are accustomed to – above Pompey.

But, as ever, we appear to be doing things the hard way.

For most of this season, Saints have been flying and playing some fantastic football. Yet over the last few

A VIEW FROM THE STANDS

with Saints fan Dan Kerins



weeks, questions have begun to be raised about our away form and injuries have shown the squad to be a little thin.

However, that pales into insignificance when you consider the ongoing woes at Fratton Park.

Chairman arrested, implicated in a £250m bank investigation, smallest squad in the league and the threat of a points deduction refusing to go away.

Now is not a great time to be a Pompey fan and they would much rather have our problems than the ones they currently face.

The last time we played them, despite being almost 40 places below them in the league, the game was much closer than the 4-1 scoreline suggested.

Their final three goals came in the last 25 minutes or so from players they couldn't pay.

Those Pompey team members have long since gone, replaced by purchases and loans more becoming of Portsmouth's financial muscle.

Meanwhile, most of the Saints team are still here and have been added to with some quality addi-

tions. All Saints fans know that and I know most find it hard to get too worried when Pompey fans gloat about that result.

So, on paper and through red-and-white tinted glasses, we're certain to win, right?

Well, those of us who have been supporting Saints for long enough know that is not how this club works. The ability to throw a spanner in the works has long been endemic.

Adkins (and Pardew before him) have done well to largely eradicate that problem over the last two years, as shown by the relentless march to promotion at the tail end of last season.

Some scars take a long time to heal though, so I can't help but worry about what might be.

But, unlike us fans, the

Saints players need not fear the past.

They know what they can do and can point to some of the hidings they have handed out already to better teams than Pompey this season.

So, while in one respect this is just another potential three points on the way to possible promotion, it also presents a nice opportunity to send a message – not just to Pompey, but to the rest of football: The Saints are coming back.

NIGEL ADKINS



	LA	LG	CA	CG	CSA	CSG
KELVIN DAVIS	20	0	0	0	249	0
BARTOSZ BIALKOWSKI	0	0	4	0	35(1)	0
TOMMY FIORECAST	0	0	0	0	0	0
DANNY BUTTERFIELD	1	0	3	0	39(3)	0
FRAZER RICHARDSON	18	0	1	0	36(7)	0
DAN HARDING	7(2)	1	2	0	96(5)	4
RYAN DICKSON	0	0	2	0	19(10)	1
BEN REEVES	0	0	2	0	2	0
JOSE FONTE	20	0	0(1)	0	88(1)	7
RADHI JAIDI	0	0	0	0	63(1)	4
AARON MARTIN	1(1)	0	4	0	13(5)	0
DAN SEABORNE	4	0	2	0	35(15)	0

	LA	LG	CA	CG	CSA	CSG
STEVE DE RIDDER	2(17)	3	3	1	5(17)	4
RICHARD CHAPLOW	8(7)	3	2	1	50(13)	10
DEAN HAMMOND	17(2)	1	0(2)	0	107(5)	11
JACK CORK	18(2)	0	2	0	44(3)	0
MORGAN SCHNEIDERLIN	8(12)	1	4	0	103(27)	2
ADAM LALLANA	17	6	1(2)	1	1143(20)	39
LEE HOLMES	0(3)	1	4	0	19(17)	3
RICKIE LAMBERT	19	12	1(2)	2	120(5)	71
LEE BARNARD	0(4)	0	0	0	44(23)	24
GULY DO PRADO	20	7	2	1	48(12)	19
DAVID CONNOLLY	12(3)	5	0	0	30(23)	16
JONATHAN FORTE	0	0	3(1)	2	5(9)	4

	LA	LG	CA	CG	CSA	CSG
RYAN DOBLE	0	0	0	0	0	0
DANNY FOX	13(3)	0	0	0	13(3)	0
JOS HOOIVELD	15	2	1	1	16	3
JAMES WARD-PROWSE	0	0	1	0	1	0
SAM HOSKINS	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0

KEY: LA: league appearances. LG: league goals. CA: cup appearances. CG: cup goals. CSA: career Saints appearances. CSG: career Saints goals.

Adam Rant



This week's big talking points
with **Adam Leitch**



Just a week to go until the first of this season's big south coast derby matches and there has been much debate about the so called bubble arrangement for taking Saints fans to and from Fratton Park.

The idea, for those who don't know what is taking place, is that Saints fans are being collected in Southampton and then taken en masse by coaches, and in convoy with the police, direct to Portsmouth.

Once they are off the coaches they will be allowed into the ground.

That, therefore, means that the only way to gain access to Fratton Park on the day if you are a Saints fan is to travel in the bubble.

In turn, you realise it doesn't matter where you live – even in Portsmouth – you have to travel to Southampton to be able to go to Portsmouth.

Also, your chances of having a drink or whatever out and about before the game is severely restricted, to say the least, by the fact you will come and go from the area at the time the police tell you to.

The same will apply in reverse for the return fixture at St Mary's next year.

There are two sides to the argument – is this just too much, a step too far in trying to protect people and restrict trouble?

Or is it the inevitable consequence of so many problems in the past and in the best interests of public order?

Despite not liking anything that impinges on people's freedom, having been stuck in a Portsmouth riot before, Adam

Police have no choice but to use the bubble



STRICT: Hampshire Police have brought in drastic measures to avoid a repeat of ugly scenes from previous south coast derbies.

Rant must confess that he has some sympathy with the police on this one.

You have to accept that most of those who go to matches are not interested in trouble, and the troublemakers will meet somewhere to fight no matter what if they want.

For them this is not about the football, it just gives them an excuse.

But the fighting has taken place near to the ground before and you can understand the fear and anxiety of local residents who do not wish to be caught up in it.

Nobody who goes to the game should be the subject of anything untoward of course, but you at least go knowing there is a risk element.

If you happen to live in surrounding streets to the ground, then you might get caught up without any wish on your behalf to even know the score of the game.

Due to recent problems, the police had to put in a decent plan because recent attempts at controlling this drama have seemed well meaning yet chaotic.

This is one of the most extreme ways you could think of of trying to let this match go ahead in as close to normal conditions inside the ground as possible.

As to whether it is the right method or not, well everybody will have a different opinion.

Ultimately it will be judged by the vast majority on how well it works.

It's sad to say, but the history of this fixture has led to this.

And, whilst most people will understand that the genuine football fans are paying the price for the actions of thugs and hooligans, on this occasion you have to say that something drastic needed to be done to keep the peace.

We will find out soon whether this was the right way of going about it.

No shame in Euro exit

MANCHESTER United and Manchester City crashed out at the group stages of the Champions League this week.

So what does that tell us about English football?

That is the question that has been doing the rounds.

Truth be told, not much we didn't know already.

It's a bit like asking whether Spain or England are the better international side?

England and the Premier League has probably just dropped behind La Liga in terms of the quality of the teams at the top.

To say one or the other is a better league overall is a hard call, though.

With all due respect, there are plenty of pretty mediocre teams in both competitions beyond those at the very top. Barcelona, helped by Lionel Messi, pictured, are the best team in the world and the rest of their top four are strong, probably on balance currently slightly better than the English top four.

Without wishing to get into a look at English football from the grassroots up on this particular occasion to work out how this has come about, it's easier to conclude that in actual fact it's probably cyclical.

This is just the order of things at the moment.

It will probably change once this great Barcelona side start to hit a downward curve.

Barry raises eyebrows

BARRY Hearn must have been licking his lips with delight at the boost in publicity snooker got when player Mark Allen had a very public pop at him.

Allen, below, was frustrated by the change in format of the UK Championship which Hearn, as chairman of the WPBSA, snooker's governing body, has overseen.

Early round matches have been cut from best of 17 to best of 11.

Hearn has gone about trying to cure the popularity and image problem of snooker but had said he wasn't going to tinker with the game's majors – of which the UK Championship is one.

The fact he has raised eyebrows in some quarters.

This is so reminiscent of the BDO and PDC split in darts – Hearn is also the man behind the PDC, by the way.

Whether snooker would ever go the same way remains to be seen, the traditionalists on the BBC and the glitz and glamour of a rival division on Sky Sports.

It's not inconceivable.

Snooker has a dilemma. It only opened the door to Hearn because it realised it was dying in popularity in the West and was desperate, the players of course keen to maximise their chances to make money.

Now they have opened this Pandora's box it's hard to close it – without either risking the future of the sport, by reversing all these changes, or having a split, which in turn would risk the future of the sport. Interesting times.



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Non-league Football

BS SOUTH: EASTLEIGH 3 THURROCK 2

Spits survive a late fight back

Wendy Gee

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NON-LEAGUE REPORTER

EASTLEIGH survived a nervous finale to beat bottom-of-the-table Thurrock 3-2 at the Silverlake Stadium this afternoon.

The Spitfires led 3-0 at half-time, but conceded two sloppy late goals en route to their fifth win in the last eight Blue Square Bet South games.

With Danny Smith, Ian Herring and Jamie Slabber suspended, new signing Damian Scannell began his second Eastleigh stint playing up front alongside Jamie Brown.

The Spitfires should have gone in front just three minutes in when Scannell progressed down the left and passed across goal for the unmarked Graeme Montgomery, who horribly spooned a left-foot shot over from six yards.

Thurrock, shaken by the departure of their manager last week-end, looked vulnerable at the back, but Eastleigh skipper Tom Jordan sent a diving header wide and then Montgomery had another effort blocked after a neat cut-back by Jordace Holder-Spooner.

The best the Essex visitors could offer in the first ten minutes was an Ahmed Deen cross from the left which Lee Boylan headed weakly at on-loan Saints keeper Jack Dovey.

Scannell, a constant thorn in Thurrock's side, then had a couple of half-chances – first after the ball had bounced over defender Anthony Furlonge's boot and then when keeper Craig Holloway had raced way out of his area.

Dovey then pulled off an important save from Boylan at his near post before a shot on the turn by Thurrock's Sam Cutler drifted wide.

Just as the game was losing its way, Eastleigh forged ahead with a 28th minute bolt from the blue.

Following a build-up on the



ON THE BALL: Damian Scannell in action against Thurrock.

Daily Echo pic by Chris Moorhouse.

left, the ball was played inside for on-loan Aldershot winger Montgomery to unleash a thumping shot from 25 yards which keeper Holloway got a hand to but couldn't prevent going in.

Five minutes later a lapse by Michael Green invited Thurrock to equalise but, luckily for the Spitfires, Boylan's angled effort hit the far post.

Eastleigh responded by earning a penalty when Scannell was brought down by Paul Terry on the left of the area.

But the former Dagenham and Southend winger got no real power behind his spot kick, allowing Holloway to save, diving to his right.

But on an afternoon when the Spitfires excelled at wasting the easy chances and taking the hard ones, they scored two cracking goals in the space of four minutes to go in 3-0 up at the break.

First Billy Tsovolos did brilliantly to keep his shot down as he burst into the box after Montgomery had gone up for a

far-post header.

Then Brown pulled a corker out of the hat, latching on to Green's cross from the left and netting a superb shot on the turn from 15 yards.

Eastleigh's Andy Forbes then had a shot cleared off the line before Thurrock hit back with two late Jamie Guy efforts – one clawed away by keeper Dovey for a corner and the other going behind.

With Green, Scannell and Holder-Spooner turning up the heat on a cold afternoon, Eastleigh posed a real threat down the left early in the second half, forcing a succession of corners.

Thurrock just about withstood the pressure, but needed a good, strong hand from keeper Holloway to turn over another Montgomery screamer from 30 yards.

On 72 minutes Thurrock substitute Alex Osborn burst through and tried his luck from distance, but Dovey was well behind his driven shot.

Five minutes later Montgomery released Scannell with a long ball out of defence. Scannell held off Furlonge, but keeper Holloway blocked his angled shot with his feet.

The visitors pulled one back with eight minutes remaining when, with teammate Cutler down injured on the edge of the area, Nathan Ashton rifled in a beauty from 20 yards.

And sloppiness almost cost Eastleigh another goal on 86 minutes when substitute Ben Bowditch caught Jordan dawdling on the ball, but drilled his low shot straight at Dovey.

The Saints youngster then got behind Deen's curling free kick following substitute Chris Flood's foul on Osborn.

The Spitfires made life unnecessarily anxious for themselves early in stoppage time when, after Ashton had hit the post, Green brought down Bowditch in the box and Guy made it 3-2 from the penalty spot.

But Ian Baird's men managed to hold out, somewhat nervously, for a vital win.

FA TROPHY

Whites march on after big win

SALISBURY CITY roared to a 4-1 FA Trophy win over Lowestoft Town.

The visitors took the lead on ten minutes when the Salisbury central defenders went missing and Michael Frew bundled the ball home.

The lead lasted nine minutes when a speculative up-and-under from the halfway line by Chris Giles was awkward for 17-year-old Colchester United loanee Shaun Phillips, who fumbled the ball for Dan Fitchett to walk into an empty net.

On 33 minutes the Whites took the lead when Stuart Anderson's corner was headed goal-wards by Jake Reid, with Giles making sure with a close-range header.

Salisbury did not add to their lead until the dying minutes, when on the stroke of full-time, Charlie Knight beat two Lowestoft defenders before playing in Fitchett, who made it 3-1.

And four minutes into time added on Fitchett got his third and Salisbury's fourth with a low shot to put Salisbury into the hat for the second round proper of the FA Trophy.

Town too good for Gosport

A DEAN Wells header seven minutes into the second half ended Gosport Borough's FA Trophy run and gave Braintree Town a 1-0 win at Privett Park, writes Mike Vimpany.

Braintree's far post winner came from a corner after goalkeeper Nathan Ashmore had saved brilliantly from a stinging Adam Bailey-Dennis effort.

The defeat ended Gosport's six-match winning run, but Borough accredited themselves well against mid-table Blue Square Premier opposition.

Braintree predictably imposed themselves in the first half with the influential Sean Marks and former Basingstoke Town striker Ben Wright effective up front.

Ashmore made some fine saves, but was unable to do anything about Wells's early second half winner.

EVO-STIK SOUTHERN PREMIER

Davies is at the double for Stags

WINGER Jonathan Davies scored a goal in each half as AFC Totton returned to winning ways in the Evostik Southern Premier League following their FA Cup adventure.

Davies scored both goals in the space of six minutes either side of the break as Totton secured the three points despite a below par performance at the Testwood Stadium.

He gave the Stags a 42nd minute lead after Mike Gosney had laid the ball off from the edge of the six yard box following good work from Michael Charles.

And Davies doubled the lead from Gosney's cross in the 48th minute, registering the club's 1,000th goal under Stuart Ritchie's management in the process.

But Totton could easily have gone behind to Tommy Widdrington's Hemel Hempstead. Gosney had a 15th minute range finder tipped over the bar by the visitor's goalkeeper Ross Kitteridge.

But within a minute Hemel Hempstead striker Ross Layfayette hit the inside of the post from 20 yards.

And two minutes later Totton were given another wake-up call when left-back Tom Baddeley appeared to bring down Salisbury loanee Matt Wright in the penalty area. But referee Adrian Gillett waved away the appeals before giving Widdrington a stern talking to in the dug-out.

Hemel Hempstead live wire Dave Pearce sent a 20 yarder whistling narrowly over the crossbar as lack lustre Totton stayed in second gear.

But the home side lifted themselves before the break, with Nathaniel Sherborne sending a defunctive shot over the bar before Charles shovelled the ball forward for the opener.

With Totton leading 2-0 captain Carl Pettefer cleared off the line to deny the visitors hopes of getting back into the game.

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Galpharm glory for Brad's boys

HARRY Arter's first-half strike earned Cherries a famous – and thoroughly deserved – victory over League One high-fliers Huddersfield today.

Arter's 19th-minute effort, his sixth goal of the season, saw the Dorset outfit register their first win over the west Yorkshire club since 1993.

The goal also condemned the Terriers to their first defeat at the Galpharm Stadium since Boxing Day and saw Cherries triumph at the venue for the first time.

Lee Bradbury's men were well worth the three points, attacking at will in the opening period and restricting the hosts to a solitary shot on target.

Shaun Cooper was handed his first start for two months as boss Lee Bradbury made one change following the 0-0 draw with Oldham a fortnight ago.

Cooper, the sole survivor from the Cherries team that started against the Terriers in the play-off semi-final in May, came in for Wes Fogden.

Anton Robinson, who also started for Cherries in their play-off near miss, was recalled to the Huddersfield team following his summer move to west Yorkshire.

Cherries made an encouraging start, with Scott Malone's low drive after three minutes forcing Town goalkeeper Ian Bennett to save to his left.

Bennett also pouched a shot from Harry Arter after Wes Thomas's claims for a penalty had been waved away by referee Tony Bates.

Simon Francis then climbed to meet Malone's 15th-minute corner, the defender heading over when well placed in a central position.

Cherries were rewarded for their early enterprise when Arter fired them ahead, the midfielder registering his sixth goal of the season after 19 minutes.

He was on hand to net from close range after Thomas had



STRIKE: Harry Arter was on target for Cherries.

teed him up, the striker showing great endeavour on the flank before rolling a cross into his teammate's path.

Town went close to levelling when Peter Clarke headed Danny Ward's free kick past the upright before Bennett raced off his line to nick the ball away from Thomas.

Clarke then atoned for his error when he tackled Thomas to prevent the striker going clear as Cherries continued to apply pressure to the Town defence.

As a first half dominated by the visitors drew to a close, Francis ventured forward on a surging run, the defender ending his foray by firing into the side netting. And in stoppage

time, Bennett saved from point-blank range after Malone had met a Marc Pugh corner with a firm header before Steve Cook blazed over when well placed.

The Terriers were forced into an early switch at the start of the second half when Jack Hunt was stretched off after falling awkwardly under a Charlie Daniels challenge.

And after replacing Jon Parkin with Lee Novak after 55 minutes, Town boss Lee Clark made his final substitution when he threw on Gary Roberts for Robinson eight minutes later.

Sarcastic applause from the home supporters greeted Town's first shot on target

after 64 minutes with a Jordan Rhodes effort easily saved by Darryl Flahavan.

Arter then collected his 10th booking of the season – and an automatic two-match ban – following a trip on Rhodes before Malone was crocked and replaced by Fogden.

Stephen Purches replaced Arter with 18 minutes remaining before the tireless Thomas was applauded off by home fans as he made way for Michael Symes in the 79th minute.

Although the hosts went in search of a late equaliser, their efforts were blunted by a solid rearguard action from Cherries with Flahavan well protected by his defence.

Norris hits late winner at Burnley

BURNLEY 0 POMPEY 1

DAVID Norris struck in injury time to give Portsmouth back-to-back victories and a first triumph on their travels since March. While at Ipswich last season, Norris scored home and away against Burnley, and he proved to be a thorn in the Claret's side once more.

In the 78th minute, the 30-year-old attacking midfielder missed a good opportunity to claim the points from Greg Halford's cross, but he made amends 45 seconds into time added on by smashing a left-footed shot into the bottom corner from 20 yards to settle a scrappy contest.

Despite heading into the game looking for a fourth consecutive win, Burnley were strangely subdued in a first half where the visitors were the better side.

Luke Varney failed to convert a close-range opportunity in the third minute, before a collision with

Claret's goalkeeper Lee Grant resulted in a rejected penalty appeal and an early end to the forward's afternoon through injury.

Eddie Howe's home side performed with greater authority after the interval and skipper Chris McCann passed up their two best opportunities, while a pair of rasping long-range efforts from Ross Wallace were narrowly off target.

Shortly before the hour Burnley forward Martin Paterson came off the bench for his first

action since suffering a thigh injury in the opening game of the season.

The 24-year-old's first contribution was to lay off Vokes' knockdown to Wallace, and the Scotland winger aimed a stinging 30-yard half volley narrowly past the upright.

McCann headed wide in the 67th minute as a quickly-taken corner caught Henderson napping, but Portsmouth soon made their presence felt at the other end when Huseklepp drilled across the six yard box and David Edgar scrambled to safety.

Norris prodded Greg Halford's cross wide with 12 minutes to play, although he redeemed himself in style at the death.



LATE GOAL: David Norris struck in the dying minutes to give Pompey a win at Burnley.

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Ryan's London calling
FORMER Bashley striker Ryan Moss is leaving Dorchester Town to move to London.

The Dorset County Hospital mortician has landed a new job in the capital.

The Magpies' leading marksman, pictured below, explained: "I've been working at the hospital since I was 18.

"I started as a porter, then moved to the mortuary. I did all my qualifications and training, including management training, as I always want to better myself.

"There aren't many opportunities that come around and I saw this one in London three or four months ago.

"I wasn't expected to get it, but I did and it's an opportunity I've got to take."

The 25-year-old, who formed a potent frontline partnership with Eastleigh's Richard Gillespie during their Bashley days together, has been at Blue Square Bet South outfit Dorchester for four seasons. He reflected: "I've had some great highs, like reaching the first round of the FA Cup, and some lows.

"The club now has a really good core of 12 or 13 players, while the younger ones like Harrison Bell, Jamie Symes and Ben Dickenson are probably the best crop of youngsters I've seen here."

Dickenson real deal
EX-Christchurch youngster Ben Dickenson is causing something of a stir in the Blue Square Bet South.

The 18-year-old, signed by Dorchester Town in May, had several scouts watching him as the Magpies drew 3-3 at home to Farnborough on Tuesday – and he did not disappoint.

Dickenson, a former Saints youngster, provided both assists for two-goal Rico Wilson before netting a stunning late equaliser for the Magpies.

New Dorchester boss Alan Knight is already a fan.

"The lad has definitely got something," he said.

"A couple of clubs have been talking to me about him and there were a few scouts there on Tuesday night, including Crystal Palace."



Clarke keen on Wilson reunion

SALISBURY City boss Darrell Clarke is looking forward to meeting up with an old mate – if Whites get through Tuesday night's FA Cup second round replay at Grimsby Town.

City's reward for sinking the Mariners at Blundell Park would be a tasty third round tie at npower League One side Sheffield United who are managed by Danny Wilson.

Clarke revealed: "Danny and I are great friends from the Hartlepool days.

"I still keep in touch with him regularly and, only a week or so ago, I was

enquiring about some of his younger players.

"My nephew is, in fact, doing well in their Academy.

"Again, that would be a massive game for us, but first we have to get past Grimsby."

Clarke was proud of his players after holding Conference national outfit Grimsby to a 0-0 draw at Old Sarum last Saturday.

"For the first 15 or 20 minutes we started like a house on fire and caused them all sorts of problems," he said.

"The boys' effort was

fantastic and, to be honest, you couldn't tell which was the Blue Square Bet Premier club and which club came from the Conference South.

"I don't think Grimsby's management will feel they've won the tie.

"They will know they will be in for a battle as we put them under a bit of pressure.

"Although we will be massive underdogs up there at Grimsby, we'll have a chance."

Grimsby's joint boss Rob Scott conceded: "It was a tough game, but we possi-

bly made it tougher than we could have done.

"Let's be honest, we didn't really turn up."

Salisbury, who ended a run of five straight BSB South defeats with a 2-0 home win over Tonbridge Angels on Tuesday, have agreed to loan goalkeeper Tommy Smith to Southern Premier outfit Bashley.

"Tommy has not been able to command a regular place this season at Salisbury and this will get him some much-needed match action at a good standard of football," confirmed Clarke.



DARRELL CLARKE

EASTLEIGH KEEP FOCUS ON YOUTH



BRIDLE Insurance's big plans for Eastleigh will not detract from the club's youth policy.

Quite the opposite in fact.

According to director of football Dave Malone, Bridle, who have a five-year plan to get the Spitfires into the Football League, are as passionate about youth development as the club are.

Back in the summer, Eastleigh launched a player development scheme, inviting young players with aspirations to turn professional to train full-time with the club.

Already one of the first intake, Sam Wilson, has had trials with Premier League outfit Fulham and was last week training with Leicester City.

Although it will be a few weeks before Bridle acquire a majority shareholding at Eastleigh, they have already agreed a generous sponsorship deal which has paved the way for experienced trio Damian Scannell (Dagenham & Redbridge), Ali Fuseini (Lincoln City) and Scott Rogers (Newport County) to join the Blue Square Bet South club.

And while Malone accepts that a reinforced Spitfires side will now "raise the crossbar higher" for aspiring youngsters looking to break into the first team, he insists the club – backed by Bridle – are more committed than ever to seeing the youth policy through.

"Not only do Bridle want to keep the youth development scheme, they want to expand it," he confirmed.

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"They haven't defined their plans yet, but they're 100 per cent behind full-time football and will be trying to get funding to make the youth policy better than it already is.

"We see it as a way of saving money in the long-term because we will be bringing our own players through."

Bridle have been linked with the Glenn Hoddle Academy, whose main objective is to get former Premier League and Football League scholars back into the professional game.

"What we're looking at is a hybrid of bringing our own home-grown players through and doing what the Glenn Hoddle Academy does," said Malone.

"No way are we saying goodbye to our youth development scheme. It's already starting to bear fruit."

Wilson's training stint with Leicester City was connected, in part, with his Northern Irish roots.

Steve Beaglehole, head academy coach for the Foxes, doubles up as Northern Ireland's part-time under-19 and under-21 coach.

At just turned 17, former Portsmouth youngster Wilson still has some maturing to do as a player and Malone believes Eastleigh is the place to do it.

"We're very keen to keep him and it's up to Sam now to force his way into first team," he said.

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New Milton not a one man team

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NEW Milton Town boss Glenn Burnett proclaimed last Saturday's 5-1 mauling of Lymington Town a team effort.

But there was no escaping the fact that sharp-shooter Alex Baldacchino was once again the man in the spotlight as the Linnets pulled themselves out of the Sydenhams Premier Division bottom two.

The dual-signed Havant & Waterlooville player netted four of the Linnets' five goals, making it 17 scored in 22 Wessex League/Cup starts this term for the razor-sharp marksman.

"Alex is unbelievable," marvelled New Milton secretary Richie Phippard.

"He's not the biggest guy in the world, but he plays on his own up front in a 4-5-1.

"When we played away at Downton last month, he had a poor first half. But in the second half he ran them ragged, taking on big experienced defenders like Josh Thomas. As soon as he gets among defenders, teams seem to struggle against him.

"He's got good pace, he's strong in the air and he's got good, quick feet.

"I think he deceives a lot of the bigger defenders with his speed on the ground and he seems to be banging in goals from everywhere.

"He curled a free-kick over the



HOLD OFF: Action from the clash between New Milton and Lymington last weekend.

keeper's head at Downton, he turned and chipped one in from 25 yards against Verwood in the League Cup and, against Fareham, he got a tap-in in the last minute of injury time.

"He's even scored with his head this season."

Last Saturday, though, it was all about being in the right place at the right time as Baldacchino finished off some glorious passing moves

with a feast of poacher's goals.

"With all the goals some of the build-up play meant they were not Alex Baldacchino goals, they were team goals," said delighted team boss Burnett.

"From the full-backs to the wingers, we were overlapping and getting in behind defenders and Alex was putting it in from six yards.

"We were very dangerous going

forward and Alex certainly knows where the net is."

A product of the Havant & Waterlooville academy, Baldacchino has yet to make a first-team start for the Hawks but has featured off the bench in a handful of games.

Since he arrived on loan at New Milton last season, a host of rival Wessex clubs - Moneyfields, Horndean and Fareham among them - have tried to take him of the Linnets' hands.

But Burnett and Phippard are hopeful he will stay at Fawcett's Field until the time is right for him to stake his claim for Blue Square Bet South selection.

Burnett said recently: "I speak regularly to (H&W manager) Shaun Gale and he knows Alex is enjoying his football with us and is playing with a smile on his face.

"Alex's intentions are to break into the team at Havant and Shaun will probably want to have a look at him towards the end of the season.

"Alex is a quiet lad but is coming out of his shell.

"He is scoring nearly a goal a game for us and I know I can't hide him away.

"If he keeps progressing and scoring goals, he is going to be some player."

New Milton's other goal last Saturday was scored by AFC Bournemouth trainee Harrison Gilkes, son of former Southampton and Reading player Michael.

Gilkes is one of two second-year scholars to have joined the club on work experience from the Cherries, along with frontman Alex Moth.

Richie's vision takes shape



RICHIE Phippard says all the exhausting running around after Glenn Burnett was first appointed New Milton manager was well worthwhile.

Since taking over the Fawcett's Field helm in late September, Burnett, pictured left, has transformed a club that had lost their first six games of the league season.

The ex-Romsey boss's first mission was accomplished when he helped hoist them off bottom spot.

And last Saturday they edged a place higher by crushing neighbours Lymington Town 5-1 at Southampton Road.

"There was a lot of running around to do when Glenn first came, getting play-

ers transferred and so on," said club secretary Phippard.

"But you look back at it now and realise that it was all worthwhile because things are really starting to happen here."

It was a sheer stroke of good fortune that Burnett arrived at New Milton in the first place.

Unbeknown to the New Forest club, he had left his job as assistant boss at Blackfield & Langley around the same time that the Linnets parted company with Steve May and Darran Atkins.

"Matt Richbell, the league press officer, texted me to say did I know that Glenn had left Blackfield," said Phippard.

"I rang Glenn on the Monday and he

didn't answer, but then he rang me back, we got talking and I knew we'd found our man.

"We arranged a meeting with the chairman on the Monday night because I wanted John Breaker to make up his own mind, but I knew all along that Glenn was the right guy for the job."

Burnett's assistant John McFarlane has also been influential in getting the good times rolling again at Fawcett's Field.

"Glenn and John get on with everyone," said Phippard. "All the players mingle together and the whole atmosphere at the club is massively different.

"I really look forward to games now. I've got my enthusiasm back."

Heath hit the buffers
SYDENHAMS Premier title hopefuls Bemerton Heath Harlequins suffered their first defeat in 19 competitive games last Saturday.

Unfortunately for Ian Chalk's side, they chose the wrong time to have an off-day, surprisingly beaten 4-0 at home by Hellenic Premier unit Shortwood United in the FA Vase third round.

The Harlequins started brightly with Danny Young having a good shot saved and Joe Sanger hitting the post early on.

But Shortwood went ahead with a quickly taken free kick by Tom Haddock and John Finnigan tapped in a second before the break after a lapse of concentration in the home defence.

When Michael Durdey's shot was stopped by a visiting defender's hand, no red card was issued, but Heath were awarded a penalty lifeline.

However, that too blew up in their faces when Jack Slade's effort was saved.

Bemerton ended the game with five forwards as they frantically chased the tie, but Shortwood caught them twice on the break through Alton Axton and Kevin Slack.

Bemerton bounced back from Saturday's disappointment by beating Cowes Sport 5-4 on penalties after a 2-2 draw in the SWL Cup. Amazingly the Harlequins finished the tie with just eight men.

Cotton is picked up
WINGER Marc Cotton has rejoined Fareham Town on dual registration terms from Southern League South & West neighbours Gosport Borough.

But 18-year-old Cotton, who left Sydenhams Premier outfit Fareham for Borough during the summer, is currently injured.

Another Town teenager, Matt Burt, scored his first senior goal for the club on Tuesday night having recently rejoined the ranks from Sholing.

It was a mere consolation effort, however, as Town - shorn of suspended 17-goal top scorer Rob Tambling - were beaten 4-1 by holders AFC Totton in the Hampshire FA Senior Cup third round.

Mark Osman (2), Nathan Jack and youth graduate Adam Tomasso struck for the Stags who, just 48 hours earlier, had featured live on ITV 1 playing Bristol Rovers in the FA Cup.

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AFC TOTTON v BRISTOL ROVERS FA Cup second round

Let's learn from our FA Cup exit

AFC Totton captain Carl Pettefer has challenged his teammates to learn from their Bristol Rovers experience.

"We've shown that we can more than match a league side, we just need to be a bit sharper and more ruthless," said the 30-year-old.

The midfielder helped Exeter and Southend beat Rovers during his Football League career but the League Two club's finishing proved too good during the opening 15 minutes.

"The first one we could have done better with but the other two were just great finishes," he continued. "We couldn't do much about them, which is a shame because we had started really well.

"We missed a lot of chances but



NO REGRETS: Carl Pettefer on the ball.

everything they hit went in. Being a team used to playing at a higher level they were a lot more ruthless.

"They're finishing was really good but I'm sure they won't score goals like that every week."

Pettefer played with Bristol Rovers striker Chris Zebroski for Oxford at the end of the 2006/07 season.

"We at least matched them in most areas of the pitch," he continued. "6-1 was very flattering to them.

"I'm really pleased for our fans that we scored, especially as it was such a great goal.

"We deserved to score more but we can't be too disappointed.

"There are no regrets from me and the same goes for the other lads."

Not too Badd

STAGS left-back Tom Baddeley took the positives from the FA Cup defeat against Bristol Rovers.

Baddeley, having been outstanding in the 8-1 first-round win against Bradford Park Avenue, produced the cross from which Nathaniel Sherborne scored Totton's only goal against Bristol Rovers.

He said: "We were confident going into the game but they scored three worldly goals.

"Maybe we could have closed them down we still gave a decent account of ourselves.

"We had lots of chances and the scoreline didn't really reflect the game."



FAN-TASTIC: Over 2,200 supporters crammed into Testwood Stadium for AFC Totton's historic FA Cup tie against Bristol Rovers. Order no: 13569021



EARLY BLOW: Bristol Rovers celebrate their first goal. Order no: 13569021. Echo pictures by Paul Collins.

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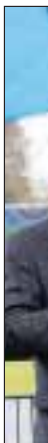
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HEADS I WIN: Byron Anthony beats Stefan
Brown in the air. Order no: 13569328

Jamie rues top quality finishing

JAMIE Whisken believes Bristol Rovers' triple whammy would grace the Champions League.

The AFC Totton defender saw wingers Joe Anyinsah and Mustapha Carayol scored two thunderous early goals before right-back Dan Woodward cut inside to fire in a brilliant third after just 13 minutes.

Whisken said: "They were three great strikes.

"You don't often come across three goals of that quality in a Champions League match, never mind our league, and it was a big uphill task after that.

"At our level chances like that aren't often taken but they took every chance.

"We battled hard, had our moments and, you never know, on



GREAT EXPERIENCE:

Jamie Whisken said his FA Cup adventure had been "brilliant."

another day it could have been a different story.

"The boys played their hearts out, attacking wise in the second half they were hardly in our half."

Whisken hit the bar with a header as Totton responded impressively during the second half.

"My header could have just dropped in on another day but it wasn't meant to be," he said.

The 24-year-old's FA Cup experience has increased his hunger for more success.

"The whole adventure has been brilliant," he said.

"It was a dream to be on the television, it was just a shame about the result.

"We have had a taste of it and we want more.

"This has been the highlight of my career so far.

"Hopefully, we will get a DVD of the game because it will be something to treasure for the rest of my career.

"We have enjoyed the cup run and the club has done well financially.

"Hopefully, it has put the club on the map and can help take us to the next level."



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Non-league News

Road to redemption

TRAVEL sickness is no longer an issue for Jeff Softley's Downton. After a miserable run of results on the road, the Robins have suddenly won three on the bounce away from home.

They broke the duck when Danny Finnigan clinched a 1-0 Sydenhams Premier win at Bournemouth Poppies and followed it up by triumphing 2-1 at Fareham through Declan

McGregor and Ben Smith's late strike.

On Tuesday Softley's, pictured, happy band of travellers turned their

attention to the SWL Cup, battling back from behind to floor high-flying GE Hamble 2-1 at Follands Park.

Ashley Jarvis put Hamble ahead and Jamie Musselwhite had two efforts cleared off the line for the Planemakers.

Vince Rusher then missed a penalty for Downton before pulling the Wiltshire side back on terms.

That set the stage for Craig Lewis's late winner, booking the Robins a quarter-final berth.

Recruitment drive

SYDENHAMS Division One side Tadley Calleva have made a host of new signings. Justice Muze has climbed on board from Headington Amateurs, along with Reece Barrett from AFC Aldermaston and James Cornick from Overton United. Meanwhile, Henry Johnson, Ashley Tribe and Nick Beshizza have all graduated from the Barlows Park youth set-up. Tadley have also announced A4 Metal Recycling as their new main sponsor.

City's awards double

CHELMSFORD City scooped both the major November prizes in the Blue Square Bet South. Clarets boss Glenn Pennyfather took the manager-of-the-month award and their former Farnborough marksman Kezie Ibe was named player-of-the-month.

Price is right for Borough

GOSPORT Borough have taken winger Tom Price on loan from Poole Town.

Price, who signed for the Dolphins for an undisclosed fee from AFC Totton during the summer, has failed to command a regular starting spot at Tatnam.

The 20-year-old wide man penned a two-year contract for Poole after manager Tommy Killick had beaten off competition from Gosport to sign him.

But Price has struggled to hold down a place, making just 11 appearances for the Dolphins this season.

"Tom hadn't been playing regularly for us and it probably suited everyone for him to get some games at Gosport," Killick explained.

"He did well previously for them (on loan from Totton), so they were keen to take him and saw he was on the periphery of things with us.

"They have paid a small fee to have him for two months and have indicated they would be interested in signing him permanently. That would be something we would consider."

Having featured in Gosport's 5-1 win at Clevedon in the Evo-Stik Division One South & West, Price netted Borough's late winner to dump his old side Christchurch out of the Hampshire FA Senior Cup 1-0 at Privett Park on Monday.

With extra time on the cards, he hit a cracking 89th-minute strike to fire Gosport through to the last eight at the expense of the ten-man Sydenhams Premier visitors.

Earlier Price had been involved as Christchurch defender Jon Grace was sent off in the 15th minute for lashing out at the winger.

"We were unfortunate to go out and were by no means disgraced," reflected Priory boss Graham Kemp, who lost defender Shaun Brian to injury during the warm-up.

"Jon Grace reacted after Pricey had pulled his shirt, but we can't bleat about the sending-off.

"We did really well with ten men for most of the game and gave a good account of ourselves."

Gosport's veteran marksman Steve Claridge could be out for up to six weeks with a rib injury.



LOAN MOVE: Poole Town's Tom Price, right.

Saints Academy keeper impresses on first adult start

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NON-LEAGUE REPORTER

WHILE all the attention was on the three female match officials at Totton & Eling two weeks ago, a young Saints prospect was quietly making an impressive debut in men's football.

Academy goalkeeper Steve Mowthorpe, 17, was signed on loan by Millers boss Kev Dawtry on the eve of the game against Lymington Town, thanks to player-coach Jo Tessem's friendship with former Saints teammate Jason Dodd.

"Gosport had recalled Tony Harrop the Wednesday before and Sam Webb, our first team keeper, wasn't fit yet after a knee op," Dawtry explained.

"Jo had spoken to Jason Dodd about the fact we may need a goalkeeper and Jason rang on the Thursday to say he had Steve for us.

"He looks a good keeper. What Saints are looking at is to see how he copes with the physical side of the game.

"You play under-18 football and

it's testing, but in a different way. When you have big centre halves galloping towards you from set pieces you soon learn. It'll be a good experience for him.

"Steve's a good lad, he's keen to learn and his attitude's brilliant. It helps them and it certainly helps us."

Dawtry, who works at Fawley refinery and once played for Saints, popped down to the training base in Marchwood to seal the deal.

Portsmouth lad Mowthorpe, a second-year scholar at St Mary's, had the support of Saints pal James Ward-Prowse, pictured, at Little Testwood Farm.

The pick of his saves denied Lymington's Steve Whitcher, an

outstretched palm tipping a seemingly goal-bound strike around the post in the second half.

"It was a very mature performance considering he's never played men's football," continued Dawtry. "I thought he was excellent."

"I've no idea how long we'll have him, it's an open ended agreement, but he thoroughly enjoyed it."

"It's probably the first time he's been in the dressing room with anyone over 18, but he mixed in with the lads straight away."

The Millers had to do without Mowthorpe last Saturday as they fought out a 2-2 league draw at Horndean.

"One of the Saints' other acade-

my keepers was injured so they took Steve back for a week," explained Dawtry, who was hoping to have the youngster back on board for today's home game against Newport IOW.

Although ex-Sholing man Webb managed to get through 90 minutes on his return to action at Five Heads Park last week, he is not fully fit.

"Sam was all right, but he's struggling to kick a bit," said Dawtry. "He did it when he had to, but Phil Ward and Danny Steer shared the duty with goal kicks."

Webb is now unavailable in any case because he is off to Nigeria representing England in a four-nation international beach soccer tournament along with the likes of Dean Blake, Gary Funnell and Jamie O'Rourke.



Non-league Football



Blackfield's veteran 45-year-old shows age is no barrier

ROLLING BACK THE YEARS...

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VETERAN goalkeeper **Steve May** is determined to make the most of what could well be his last season between the sticks.

The former Havant & Waterlooville stopper may be 45, but his fitness and enthusiasm is a match for many players half his age.

Having had a rough ride as co-manager of New Milton at the start of the season, May signed playing forms for Sydenhams Premier rivals Blackfield & Langley intending just to do a bit of coaching and get some games under his belt.

But recently he has taken on more than he had bargained for, filling in for Blackfield's unwell team boss Louis Bell with the help of new central defensive signing Ashley Vickers, the former Dorchester Town boss.

Initially the plan was for Vickers to play and May to direct matters from the sidelines.

But, with Blackfield in desperate need of league points against Brading Town last Saturday, both of them featured in a priceless 1-0 home victory.

"It was an important game for us and both myself and Ashley felt we needed to go with a bit of experience," May explained.

"I'm 45 now, but for me it doesn't matter if you're 15 or 50, you can still perform."

"Just look at Dave Puckett. He's still playing for Lymington Town at 51!"

Although May doesn't adhere to a strict gym regime, he manages to keep himself in shape.

"I work as a gardener/painter/decorator and keep myself pretty fit," he said.

"I also train twice a week and, if we don't have training, I'll go out and do a bit of running."

"If I'm honest, this will probably

And 51-year-old Puckett can still do a job too...

FORTY and fifty are the new twenty and thirty in the Sydenhams Wessex League.

While goalkeeper Steve May is still donning the gloves for Blackfield & Langley at the age of 45, he is not the oldest player to have turned out in the Premier Division this season.

That distinction goes to Lymington Town player-coach Dave Puckett, pictured, who became the most senior goalscorer in SWL history two weeks ago at Totton & Eling.

Puckett's reactions were as sharp as ever as he pounced on the rebound following 17-year-old Saints academy 'keeper Steve Mowthorpe's save from Lymington captain Gareth Byres.

Millers boss Kev Dawtry could only watch in admiration as Puckett rolled back the years.

The Southampton-born pair were at The Dell together, with Dawtry making his one Saints appearance in 1979 – two years before 51-year-old Puckett played the first of his 59 games in the red and white.

Dawtry, 53, said: "Dave's come on before against us and I played with him for the Ex-Saints two or three years ago, but he looks fitter now than he did then."

"I stopped playing in my early forties, but maybe there's hope for me yet!"

be my last season playing, but the idea of giving up at the moment has never entered my head. I want to get in as many games as I can.

"I was pleased with my performance last week. I took all the catches and did what I needed to do."

Manny Soetan, pictured, a summer trialist with AFC Totton, sentenced Brading to defeat with just 13 minutes to go.

The wideman cut in from the left

and his goal-bound delivery evaded everyone and went in off the far post.

"Manny says it was a shot, but we thought it was more of a cross-shot," smiled May.

"Either way, it doesn't matter because it went into the back of the net and we got our just reward."

Blackfield handed a debut to left-back Joe Collins, who has dual-signed from Blue Square Bet South outfit Eastleigh.



Non-league News

Spurway switch

GAVIN Spurway has joined Sydenhams Premier outfit Horndean. The former Fareham Town midfielder, pictured below, links up with Dave Carter's side after leaving league rivals Blackfield & Langley.

Spurway teams up with former Waterside teammate Louis Bell Junior, who also switched from Gang Warily to Five Heads Park.



Bell grabbed a last-gasp equaliser for the Deans at home to Totton & Eling last Saturday, scoring deep in stoppage time to salvage his side a 2-2 league draw.

"To come back like we did shows what we are all about," said Carter.

Elm calls it a day

BASHLEY legend David Elm admitted the risk of doing "proper damage" to his troublesome back had left him with little option than to call time on his distinguished non-League career. The 31-year-old goalkeeper – in his tenth season at the Recreation Ground – this week announced his retirement on medical advice after a recent MRI scan confirmed he had sustained a prolapsed disc.

The Swanage-based stopper made 393 appearances for Bash and kept 110 clean sheets.

The Beas knees

HAVANT & Waterlooville's former Winchester City and Farnborough goalkeeper Lyall Beasley won the HawkSupport player-of-the-month award for November.

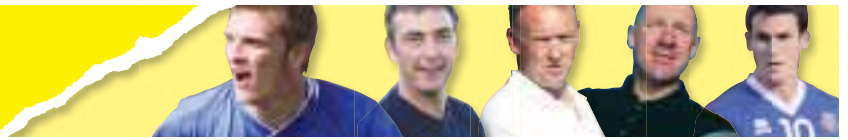
In a tough month for the Hawks dominated by draws, Beasley's excellent saves ensured they picked up some valuable points to keep them mid-table in the Blue Square Bet South.

East-ern promise

REFEREE Roger East is guest speaker at Monday's (December 12) Eastleigh Referees' Society meeting. Kick-off is 7.30pm at Eastleigh FC's Silverlake Stadium, Stoneham Lane.

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Non-league Football



Hampshire FA Cups results/draw

Saturday Intermediate Cup

Round 3: Bosuns Chair 4 Broughton 0, Sholing Res 0 Wimborne Town Reserves 2, West Wight 2 Yateley Green (Sat) 2 (West Wight win 5-4 on Pens), Mufordford Mens (Saturday) 2 Locksheath 4, Golden Common v Fleetlands (Dec 10, 1.45pm), Bournemouth Sports 5 Alton Athletic 4, Liphook United 5 Horndean United 1, Yateley 3 Westover Bournemouth 1, Tadley Calleva Reserves v Lyndhurst (Dec 10, 1.45pm), Portcastrian 4 Comrades 0, Infinity v Paulsgrove (Dec 10, 1.45pm), Northwood St Johns 7 Nursling 0, Liss Athletic 0 Moneyfields Reserves 3, Baffins Milton Rovers 2 Sporting Bishops Waltham 0, AFC Portchester Reserves v Old Famborians (Dec 7, 7.45pm), Ventnor 2 FC Bournemouth 5.

Round 4 (Jan 7, 2012 1.45pm): FC Bournemouth v Bosuns Chair, Locksheath v Moneyfields Reserves, Portcastrian v Northwood St Johns, West Wight v Wimborne Town Reserves, Infinity v Paulsgrove v Colden Common or Fleetlands, Bournemouth Sports v Yateley, Liphook United v Tadley Calleva Reserves or Lyndhurst, Baffins Milton Rovers v AFC Portchester Reserves or Old Famborians.

Saturday Junior A Cup

Round 3: Basingstoke Rangers 4 Southampton Energy 0, New Inn Sports 0 Tron 3, Wombles w/o Tadley Calleva A, Northwood St Johns Reserves 4 Heathpark 2, Compton 3 Winton Borough 0, Andover New Street Swifts 4 Pan Sports 0, Riverside Reds 4 AFC Burton (Saturday) 2, Sutton Scotney 2 Park Sports 1 (AET), Bournemouth Electric (Sat) A 6 AFC Grains 2, FC Censo 10 Queens Park Athletic 2, Sandown 3 Hedge End Rangers Reserves 0, FC Wellington 2 BSS Portsmouth 0, Herriard sports 3 Compton Reserves 5, Sway Reserves 3 Sherborne St Johns 2, AFC Ventora 0 Basingstoke Royals 4, Hook w/o Broughton Reserves.

Round 4 (Jan 7, 2012 1.45pm): Basingstoke Royals v Basingstoke Rangers, Andover New Street Swifts v Wombles, Sandown v Northwood St Johns Reserves, Tron v Sway Reserves, FC Wellington v Compton Reserves, Hook v FC Censo, Compton v Sutton Scotney, Riverside Reds v Bournemouth Electric (Sat) A.

Saturday Junior B Cup

Round 3: King of Wessex 4 Magpies (Saturday) 3, AFC Burton (Saturday) Reserves 2 Lindford (Sat) 3, AFC Gulf Western 3 AFC Station 0, Chineham Albion Reserves 0 Horndean Hawks 2, Portchester 2 Sherborne St Johns Reserves 0 (AET), Richmond Park Con Club Reserves 3 Chandlers Ford 1, Priory Rovers 1 Queens Park Athletic Reserves 3, Headley United Reserves 1 Vectis Nomads 4.

Quarter Final (Jan 7, 2012 1.45pm): Queens Park Athletic Reserves v King of Wessex, Vectis Nomads v Richmond Park Con Club Reserves, Horndean Hawks v AFC Gulf Western, Lindford (Sat) v Portchester.

Saturday Veterans Cup

Quarter Final: Hythe Aztecs (over 35) 0 Colden Common 2, Hedge End Rangers 6 AFC Stoneham (over 35) 2, Nursling 1 Sporting BTC Vets 2, OK Southampton 4 BTC (Southampton) 2.

Semi Final (Jan 7, 2012 1.45pm): OK Southampton v Sporting BTC Vets, Hedge End Rangers v Colden Common.

Sunday Senior Cup

Quarter Final: Queens Park 3 East Christchurch 2, Bluebell Pirates 3 Apsley 4, Knighton Arms 2 MSC Athletic 1, Lord Chichester 1 Co-Op Dragons 5.

Semi Final (Jan 8, 2012 10.30am): Knighton Arms v Co-Op Dragons.

Sunday Intermediate Cup

Round 2: Stag Athletic 4 March Hare 1.

Round 3: AFC Havant Town 7 AC Marstons 1, Horns Inn 5 Cobden Sports 2, South Wiston Swifts v Stag Athletic (Dec 11, 10.30am), Waterlooville Social Club (Sun) 1 Robin Hood Rovers 2, Southampton Arms 3 Capital 2 Coast Security 1, Gosmers Rangers 3 KRL 1, S&D 1 Phoenix North End 2 (AET), North Wamborough 4 Prospect (Sun) 3 (AET), Milton Rovers 6 Baffins Milton 2, Chamberlayne Athletic 3 AFC Purbrook 0, Basingstoke Saints 3 Mars Drinks 6, Bursledon Towers v Westwood Old Boys (Dec 11, 10.30am), Shoulder of Mutton United 2 Grantham Arms (Winchester) 1, Wicor Mill v Totton Cosmos (Dec 11 10.30am), Ropley (Sun) 2 Eastfield 6, Foresters Arms (Brockenhurst) v AFC Southsea (Dec 11, 10.30am).

Round 4 (Jan 8, 2012): Bosmere Rangers v Mars Drinks, Chamberlayne Athletic v Bursledon Towers or Westwood Old Boys, Robin Hood Rovers v Phoenix North End, Shoulder of Mutton United v North Wamborough, Eastfield v Southampton Arms, Wicor Mill or Totton Cosmos v AFC Havant Town, South Wiston Swifts or Stag Athletic v Milton Rovers, Horns Inn v Foresters Arms (Brockenhurst) or AFC Southsea.

Sunday Junior A Cup

Round 2: Titchfield v Fareham Park Rangers (Pending HFA Investigation).

Round 3: CJ Glass 3 Down End 2, Farlington Academicals 8 AFC Golden Lion 0, White House 1 Trades Rifle 6, Roll Call v Magdon Scaffolding (Dec 11, 10.30am), Hedge End Club 1 Saturn Royals 0, Northwood Athletic v Titchfield or Fareham Park Rangers (TBA), Winston Hotel 5 Mayfair 0, Sevenoaks v Milton Rovers Reserves (Dec 11, 10.30am), FC Week 3 Chineham 2 (AET), Lotus Press 1 Dove Travel 4, Wellford United 4 Co-Op Dragons Reserves 1, Brookhill Saints Reserves 3 Dynamo Cove 0, Foresters AFC 2 Burridge AFC (MV) 0, Cl 3 Riverside Magic 1, Woodman 1 AFC Peawit 8, AFC Burton (Sunday) v Wheelwrights Arms (Dec 11, 10.30am).

Round 4 (Jan 8, 2012 10.30am): AFC Burton (Sunday) or Wheelwrights Arms v Dove Travel, Wellford United v Roll Call or Magdon Scaffolding, AFC Peawit v CJ Glass, Farlington Academicals v Hedge End Club, Trades Rifle v Foresters, Cl v Sevenoaks or Milton Rovers Reserves, Brookhill Saints Reserves v Northwood Athletic or Titchfield or Fareham Park Rangers, Winston Hotel v FC Week.

Sunday Junior B Cup

Round 3: Whitenap 4 AFC Ringwood 2, River Bowl v Weybourne (Match held in abeyance), Aldershot Sunday v SDC (Match held in abeyance), Meonstoke 7 Eastbrook Harriers Reserves 2, AFC Toynbee 4 AFC Riverside (Sunday) 5 (AET), AFC Fareham 4 Sandhurst Finest 1, Fleet Spurs Vets v Lotus XI (Late result), Magpies (Sunday) 3 Kings Arms (Wallisdown) 7, Freehouse 2 Bridge AFC 5, Elm Tree RBA 7 SGM 0, Hartley Sunday Veterans FTOB 2 Yateley Green AFC 2 (Yateley Green AFC win 3-2 on Pens), Armoury 2 Barton Wanderers 8, Chartwell Green w/o Strouden Sports, Crofton Saints v Sandrock (Dec 11, 1.45pm), Hedge End Hawks 2 Rushmoor Community 4, South Hants Glass 6 AFC Portisdown 0.

Round 4 (Jan 8, 2012 10.30am): Whitenap v River Bowl or Weybourne, Hartley Sunday Veterans v Bridge AFC, Fleet Spurs Vets (Sunday) or Lotus XI v AFC Fareham, Aldershot Sunday or SDC v AFC Riverside (Sunday), Chartwell Green v Rushmoor Community, Elm Tree RBA v Kings Arms (Wallisdown), South Hants Glass v Crofton Saints or Sandrock, Meonstoke v Barton Wanderers.

Sunday Junior C Cup

Round 3: Bell Reserves 2 Mould Tools 4, Cove Manor Reserves 8 Bridgmayn Colts 3, Locksheath 0 King George 3, Daedalus 2 Royale

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FORMER Romsey Town boss Glenn Burnett suffered a 5-0 defeat at the hands of his old club on Tuesday night as New Milton bowed out of the Hampshire FA Senior Cup.

But the scoreline was entirely understandable considering Linnets rested all their senior players in readiness for today's crucial Sydenhams Premier

Romsey show no mercy

showdown at home to Blackfield & Langley.

Romsey took full advantage of New Milton's inexperience as goals by Ryan Long (3), Gareth Batchelor and Jamie Thoroughgood sent them safely through to the last eight.

But Stuart Long, assis-

tant manager of the Bypass boys, felt Burnett was right to give his first-team players a rest so he can concentrate on pulling New Milton away from the Wessex relegation zone.

"Glenn had already spoken to us and told us he was going to put

a young side out," Long revealed.

"We said that last year we didn't bother with the cups either because the league was far more important, so we understand why he did it.

"With an important league game coming up they couldn't afford injuries and it was wise

not to get involved in a cup tussle.

"They were very pleased with their (5-1) league win over Lymington last Saturday and, being where they are, it's a confidence thing with them.

"Mind you," Long added. "I thought their youngsters played very well against us. They chased and gave as good as they got."

POPPIES' FA VASE DREAM LIVES ON

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BOURNEMOUTH Poppies, the Sydenhams Wessex League's sole FA Vase survivors, have pulled a tough fourth round draw out of the hat.

Although Kenny Vaughan's men will have home advantage on January 21, their opponents Royston Town are currently top of the Molten Spartan South Midlands League, having won 16 of their 18 league matches so far this season.

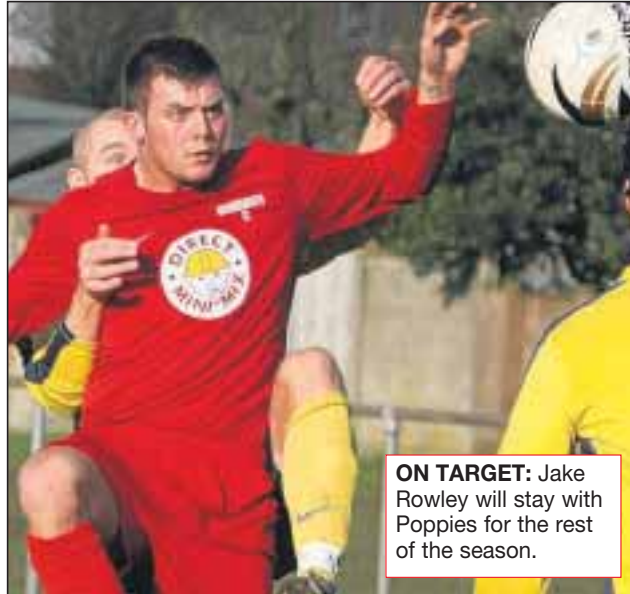
"We wanted a home tie, but that's a tough one," said Vaughan, whose club are through to the last 32 for the first time in their 136-year history.

"Still, you have to beat the best if you want to go all the way."

Bookmakers have made Bournemouth 20/1 to win the Vase after they saw off Barnstaple Town 2-0 at Victoria Park last Saturday.

Both goals came in the second half with Jake Rowley slotting Poppies in front just after the hour and Martin Warren crowning victory in the fourth minute of added time, rounding off Fawzi Saadi's unselfish pass.

"The lads definitely wanted it and they played really well," said



ON TARGET: Jake Rowley will stay with Poppies for the rest of the season.

Vaughan.

"We had a couple of options on the bench, but I didn't want to disrupt it. The grit and determination they showed was phenomenal."

The historic match signalled the return of Rowley after a brief spell with Evo-Stik Southern

Premier Division outfit Bashley.

Confirming the youngster would be staying at Victoria Park for the rest of the season, Vaughan explained: "Jake had a couple of weeks at Bashley, but the travelling was immense for him with his studies, so he'll be here with us while he finishes his

term.

"(Bashley boss) Steve Riley has said he is still interested in him going there next year, but it's nice to have him back.

"We've always wanted to push him on, but he finds the travelling too much at this time."

Bournemouth crowned an excellent week by continuing their defence of the SWL Cup with a 5-0 thrashing of Lymington Town, courtesy of Dave Ewen (2), James Pinder, Luke Ingram and substitute Warren.

● The SWL's three other FA Vase representatives all hit the rocks in last Saturday's third round.

Title-chasing Bemerton Heath Harlequins were surprisingly crushed 4-0 at home by Shortwood United, Cowes Sports bowed out 1-0 at Reading Town and Christchurch were well beaten 3-0 at Western Premier outfit Bitton.

"When you go away from home, you need to be strong and disciplined and a defensive mix-up gifted them a goal," reflected Christchurch boss Graham Kemp.

"They were better than us and deserved to win."

Priory suffered another knock-out blow on Monday night, beaten 1-0 at Gosport Borough in the Hampshire FA Senior Cup.

WEYMOUTH did AFC Totton a huge favour last Saturday by preventing the then Southern Premier leaders

Leamington pulling four points clear of the promotion-hungry Stags.

The Terras' incredible last-gasp 2-1 home victory meant that Leamington stayed static on 35 points while Totton were otherwise engaged

Terras do Totton a favour

in the FA Cup.

Going into the last five minutes at the Bob Lucas Stadium, a goalless draw looked to be on the cards.

But, having fallen behind to Jacob Blyth's 87th-minute penalty opener, Weymouth instantly hit back through

a Warren Byerley spot kick and then snatched victory with Craig Duff's fine header in the fourth minute of added time.

"To come through two (FA Trophy) games against Havant & Waterlooville and then beat the league leaders in the space of a week is

a fantastic effort," said Terras boss Brendon King.

"Leamington got in our faces and made it very difficult, but we showed great battling qualities throughout. Had we not got something it would have been an injustice."

On Tuesday

Leamington were knocked off top spot by Brackley, who beat Oxford City 5-2.

Weymouth have turned down another offer for promising defender Sam Poole.

An unnamed npower League Two club reportedly tabled a £15,000 bid for the 19-year-old, but the Terras believe he is worth a lot more.

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Non-league Football

SHOLING CONQUER SHOOT-OUT FEARS

Dan's timely double

DAN Cann silenced his critics by bagging a brace for Poole Town in last Saturday's 4-1 victory over Bishops Cleeve.

Cann (2), Marvin Brooks and Carl Preston all netted in the second half to seal the Dolphins' first league win in four games in the Evo-Stik Division One South & West.

"Dan gets criticised by some supporters – very unfairly in my view," said Dolphins boss Tommy Killick. "He is not someone who is going to score bucketloads of goals, but he is a strong player."

"He is a targetman, he holds up the ball well, works hard and gives the attack a focal point."

"He works hard and cares about the team and his own performances."

"You have got to look at what people bring overall and he has been a very big player for us so far this season."

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HAVING lost a major penalty shootout two seasons ago, Sholing boss Dave Diaper made sure that history didn't repeat itself at Portsmouth Road on Wednesday night.

After drawing 2-2 with Blue Square Bet South outfit Basingstoke Town after extra time in the Hampshire FA Senior Cup third round, the Boatmen triumphed 6-5 in the shootout to claim their quarter-final place.

Lee Wort – the Evo-Stik South & West's top marksman – missed Sholing's second from the spot and his side slipped into arrears.

But they turned it around with goalkeeper Mike Hookway making a key save to send them through at the expense of Frank Gray's men.

A couple of seasons ago Sholing lost the Red Insure Cup final on penalties to Cambridge City and they suffered more ill fortune from the spot in the same competition last term, exiting in the quarter-final at Hemel Hempstead.

"After extra time on Tuesday, I said to the lads that they'd done all the hard work and that they needed to concentrate," said Diaper.

"We don't tend to win penalty shootouts. After finishing a long game like that, the tendency is to think 'thank goodness that's over' and just switch off."

"I said that if they could just keep their concentration, they could win and, apart from one, they were all good penalties."

"Worty, who's the league's top scorer, missed his, but I think that's because he didn't have the energy



LONE STRIKER: Sholing frontman Lee Wort.

left to run up and strike the ball! "He'd been playing up front on his own and had worked really hard."

As a director of HSC sponsors BSA Regal, Diaper is delighted that Sholing – last season's beaten St Mary's finalists – are into the last eight.

"As sponsor I'm also pleased that there are so many quality teams left in it like Gosport, Havant & Waterlooville and (holders) Totton," he said.

"Those teams are taking it seriously this year and really want to win it. "We've been in the final a couple of

times in the last four seasons and to get there again and win it this time would be tremendous."

It was a long night and glorious night too for Winchester City, who came back from behind to beat Bashley 2-1 after extra time.

Carl Foster put the Evo-Stik Southern Premier side ahead, but back bounced the Sydenhams Premier leaders through Dominic Allen – a former Bash striker – and prolific ex-Saint Jamie White.

For White, just back from injury, it was his 22nd goal in all competitions this term.

Andy's smooth transition to coaching role

WITH 12 wins from 16 games during his time at the club, it's no wonder coach Andy Darnton is enjoying life at Romsey Town.

Through no fault of his own, the last two seasons were tough going for the former Bashley, Fleet and Newport IOW defender who, as right-hand man to Andy Leader, faced a losing battle to keep cash-strapped Andover in the Southern League. Financially, the Bypass

Ground is not exactly the land of plenty either, but one thing Romsey are particularly rich in is team spirit.

"We've got no money at Romsey, but what we have got is team bonding," he said.

"Team spirit has come on a bundle this season and we proved that at Winchester City when we went from 1-0 up to 3-

1 down, but managed to pull it back to 3-3.

"You could see how much it meant to the team when the equaliser went in and the lads all ran over to the dugout to celebrate."

Although Darnton still thinks a couple of squad additions would

strengthen Town's chances of remaining in the Sydenhams Premier Division top six, the players' blossoming self-belief may keep them there in any case.

"Confidence and belief is growing all the time and it's reflecting in our results," he said.

Asked if any particular players had caught his eye during his time at the club, Darnton, pictured left while in his playing days with Bashley, replied: "There

are a few who could play higher if they wanted to. And we're not short of match winners – we're a side that will always score goals."

"But what has really impressed me is the team's work ethic and how well they're playing collectively."

"Off the ball they're hunting in twos and threes to win the ball back."

"Everyone's contributing and that's why we're doing so well."

Hampshire FA Cups results/draw

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Marine 0, Halfway United 6 Alton Wanderers 0, Mead End (Sun) 3 Royal Anchor (Liphook) 6, Forks Falcons 1 Sporting View 3, Real Bridgeman 1 Horndean United (Sunday) 0, Sporting Compass 4 Purbrook 2, Green Dragon 5 Cottage Loaf 5, AC United 1 Southampton Bhoys 0, Ensbury Park Rangers 2 Lapstone 3, Waterloo 0 TF United 3, Gosport Falcons 6 Railway Tavern (Andover) 1, Scott V 1 Cove U21 (Sunday) 4.

Round 4 (Jan 8, 2012 10.30am): Green Dragon v Sporting Compass, AC United v Royal Anchor (Liphook), Real Bridgeman v Cove Manor Reserves, King George v Gosport Falcons, FC Boca Reserves v TF United, Mould Tools v Lapstone, Sporting View v Cove U21 (Sunday), Daedalus v Halfway United.

Saturday U11 Cup

Quarter Final (Dec 10): Fareham Town v Rushmoor Community, Curley Park Rangers Vikings v Shooters, Manor Colts Black v Hawley Raiders, Camberley Town v Wey Valley Warriors.

Semi Final (Jan 14, 2012): Curley Park Rangers Vikings or Shooters v Manor Colts Black or Hawley Raiders, Fareham Town or Rushmoor Community v Camberley Town or Wey Valley Warriors.

Saturday U13 Cup

Quarter Final (Dec 10): CK Andover v Shipton Bellinger Rams, Pompey Pirates v Clarnfield, Winchester v Hythe & Dibden Jets, Stubbington v Havant & Waterlooville.

Semi Final (Jan 14, 2012): Stubbington or Havant & Waterlooville v Winchester or Hythe & Dibden Jets, CK Andover or Shipton Bellinger Rams v Pompey Pirates or Clarnfield.

Saturday U15 Cup

Quarter Final (Dec 12): Bishops Waltham Dynamos Sport Club v Fareham Town, Littleton Juniors v Compton, Solent v Lee Filters, Basing Rovers v Down Grange.

Semi Final (Jan 14, 2012): Littleton Juniors or Compton v Basing Rovers or Down Grange, Solent or Lee Filters v Bishops Waltham Dynamos Sports Club or Fareham Town.

Sunday U11 Cup

Round 4 (Dec 11): Hayling United v Hedge End Rangers Blue, Sholing White v Oakfield, Winklesbury Wizards v Berg, Hedge End Rangers White v Colden Common Rovers, US Portsmouth v Sholing Red, Newport St Georges v Fleet Town Colts Tigers, Hurstwood Rangers v Burton, Pace v Moneyfields.

Quarter Final (Jan 15, 2012): Winklesbury Wizards or Berg v Newport St Georges or Fleet Town Colts Tigers, Hurstwood Rangers Inter or Burton v Sholing White or Oakfield, US Portsmouth or Sholing Red v Hedge End Rangers White or Colden Common Rovers, Hayling United or Hedge End Rangers Blue v Pace or Moneyfields.

Sunday U12 Cup

Round 4 (Dec 11): Botley Village v Eastleigh Juniors Red, Branksome United v Greenfields, Hythe & Dibden Hovers v Hythe & Dibden Turbos, QK Southampton v Grange Athletic, Wimbledon Park Tigers v Winchester (David), Havant & Waterlooville v Manor Colts Black, Gosport Borough Pumas v Horndean, Salisbury City (Sunday) v Sandown & Lake.

Quarter Final (Jan 15, 2012): Gosport Borough Pumas or Horndean v Wimbledon Park Tigers or Winchester (David), Botley Village or Eastleigh Juniors Red v Branksome United or Greenfields, Havant & Waterlooville or Manor Colts Black v QK Southampton or Grange Athletic, Hythe & Dibden Hovers or Hythe & Dibden Turbos v Salisbury City (Sunday) or Sandown & Lake.

Sunday U13 Cup

Round 4 (Dec 11): Warsash Wasps v BTC (Southampton) Nimrods, Christchurch (BYFL) v Crofton Saints, Wimborne Town v Colden Common Rangers, Meon Milton Bileys v Gosport Arrows, Salisbury City (Sunday) v Pompey Pirates, Townhill Lingland v Pace Pumas, Horndean v Havant & Waterlooville, Greenfields v Eastleigh Juniors.

Quarter Final (Jan 15, 2012): Townhill Lingland or Pace Pumas v Warsash Wasps or BTC (Southampton) Nimrods, Horndean or Havant & Waterlooville v Wimborne Town or Colden Common Rangers, Greenfields or Eastleigh Juniors v Meon Milton Bileys or Gosport Arrows, Christchurch or Crofton Saints v Salisbury City or Pompey Pirates.

Sunday U14 Cup

Round 4 (Dec 11): Eastleigh Juniors Red v Hythe & Dibden Rangers, Moordown Athletic v Oakwood Raiders, Moneyfields Colts v Horndean Hawks Buzzards, Redhill Rangers v Kempshott Kestrels, Winchester v Moneyfields Lions, Baddesley Park v Hawley Raiders, Oakwood Terriers v AFC Wolves, Gosport v Warsash Warriors.

Quarter Final (Jan 15, 2012): Winchester or Moneyfields Lions v Gosport or Warsash Warriors, Baddesley Park or Hawley Raiders v Eastleigh Juniors Red or Hythe & Dibden Rangers, Oakwood Terriers or AFC Wolves v Redhill Rangers or Kempshott Kestrels, Moordown Athletic or Oakwood Raiders v Moneyfields Colts or Horndean Hawks Buzzards.

Sunday U15 Cup

Round 4 (Dec 11): Bournemouth Electric v Pace Panthers, Compton v Bournemouth Poppies, Pace v US Portsmouth, Eastleigh Juniors v Petersfield Town Juniors, Wimbledon Park Tigers v Brendon, Oakley v Bitterne, Gosport Falcons v Baddesley Park, Hythe & Dibden Rangers v Moneyfields.

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Sunday U16 Cup

Round 4 (Dec 11): Eastleigh v Winchester Red, US Portsmouth v Alton United Anfield, Totton & Eling v Farnborough Development, Sholing Whites v Ash United, AFC Totton v Hythe & Dibden Predators, Bournemouth Sports v Moneyfields, Shanklin v Royals Elite, AFC Stoneham v Burton.

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Sunday U18 Cup

Round 4 (Dec 11): Pickwick Lions v Sky Blues, Fleet Town Colts v Mytchett Athletic, Horndean v Christchurch, Redhill Rangers v Copnor North End, Crookham Rovers v Moneyfields (HCYFL), New Milton Town v QK Southampton, Salisbury City (Sunday) v Ringwood Town, AFC Totton v Gosport Borough (HCYFL).

Quarter Final (Jan 15, 2012): Salisbury City (Sunday) or Ringwood Town v New Milton or QK Southampton, Crookham Rovers or Moneyfields (HCYFL) v Pickwick Lions or Sky Blues, Fleet Town Colts or Mytchett Athletic v AFC Totton or Gosport Borough, Redhill Rangers or Copnor North End v Horndean or Christchurch.

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Harry hits out at FA's stance on Rooney

EX-SAINTS manager Harry Redknapp has followed Kenny Dalglish's lead in accusing the Football Association of double standards over their campaign to get Wayne Rooney's Euro 2012 ban reduced.

Rooney's suspension for next summer's tournament was cut from three matches to two at a UEFA hearing in Switzerland yesterday.

Redknapp thinks the FA's stance is hypocritical as he is sure that had the Manchester United player lashed out in a similar manner to his kick at Montenegro's Miodrag Dzulovic in a domestic game, the 26-year-old would be suspended for three matches and an appeal might have brought even more.

Redknapp, the bookmakers' favourite to succeed Fabio Capello as England boss, said: "In all honesty it was a three-match ban for violent conduct. "You can look at it and say it wasn't that violent, but it doesn't matter. If you cuff someone, you get a three-match ban.



ROONEY

"Those are the rules.

"If you appealed it (domestically), it would be a frivolous appeal and you would probably get four games if you went to the FA."

They are similar comments to those expressed by Liverpool boss Dalglish yesterday, and Redknapp now expects the FA to be besieged with appeals for domestic red cards.

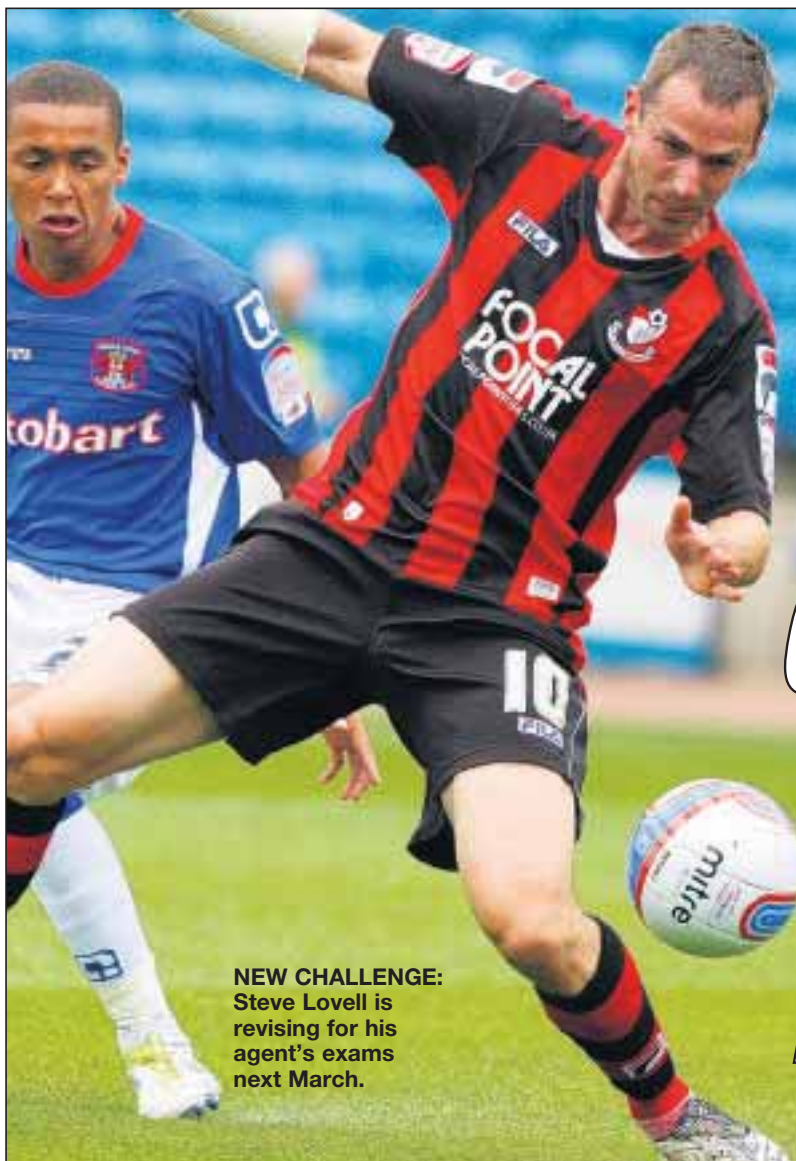
"For them to get it from three to two, it opens up a can of worms," he said.

"There will be clubs appealing against bans and they will want to know why they aren't getting it cut from three to two for similar situations.

"People will look at it and think, 'Hang on, the FA have gone and appealed against his (Rooney's) red, why can't we?'"

"From England's point of view, I'm pleased to see him get two because he's that important to England, but in all honesty, the rules are supposed to be the rules and they have not been adhered to in this situation."

Cherries/Pompey Spotlight



NEW CHALLENGE: Steve Lovell is revising for his agent's exams next March.

"It was a terribly hard decision to stop playing."

Steve Lovell

Steve decides to call it a day

EVEN 'that' goal at the Galpharm Stadium in May couldn't convince Steve Lovell that the pain was worth it any longer.

It was the 63rd minute in West Yorkshire, Cherries had already had the striker to thank for getting them back into the game from the penalty spot and there he was again, leaving big Peter Clarke on his backside, rounding Ian Bennett and scoring a goal that will live long in the memory of those who were at the play-off semi-final, *writes NEIL MELDRUM.*

Less than four months later, Lovell shocked the Dean Court faithful by confirming his retirement – at just 30 years old.

"I had been struggling for a couple of years before that game and I had to work hard and train for long hours to get to where I was that night," Lovell said this week.

"I was forced back in due to injuries to others and that was the best thing for me. "But I was still way short of where I wanted to be. It was the situation, though, and I honestly gave 100 per cent."

There had been no hint of what was to come following Lovell's

Galpharm display.

He signed a new 12-month deal at the end of May and many felt he would be pivotal to another promotion push after the sale of Danny Ings to Burnley in August.

The season started well for the Verwood-raised frontman.

He made four appearances, scoring in a 4-1 Carling Cup defeat to Premier League West Brom on August 23.

Suffering

But on Thursday, September 1 – two days after Cherries' 4-1 win over Hereford in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy – Lovell went to the club's training HQ at Canford School to tell boss Lee Bradbury he couldn't go on.

"It was a terribly hard decision to stop," added Lovell. "I'd been thinking about it for quite a while and I guess when the good things were happening, it covered up my negative thoughts.

"But it got to the point where I simply wasn't able to do what my head was telling me to do.

"I wasn't doing myself or the team justice and I was suffering because of the injuries I was carrying.

"I was always one of the first in for training, stretching and doing exercises for an hour before everyone else arrived – and that was just to get through training.

"My last game for Bournemouth summed up what was happening with me.

"It's hard to explain what I was feeling but that last game against Hereford pushed me over the edge.

"It was awful.

"I think because of the way I am as a person, people didn't realise how I was feeling.

"When I told Bradders, he was totally shocked and said he had no idea.

"I am a private person and don't like to show my emotions too much, but it certainly didn't come out of the blue to me even if it did to everyone else."

Having known only football since his days as a youth league player alongside brother Eddie Howe in Verwood, Lovell was faced with the daunting decision of what to do next.

"Players who haven't had bad injuries don't really know what it can do to a player's mind," he said. "There are people far worse off than me, but it is difficult.

"Initially I was still a player – even after I had announced it and signed the paperwork.

"I was still waking up at stupid o'clock in the morning thinking about what I was going to do and texting the boys.

"I was actually still receiving Fletch's text messages about training because I didn't want to feel out of it.

"It was difficult but, as time has passed, I have come to terms with it and I feel more at peace with it.

"I'm now focused on other things I am going to do after football.

"I am taking my agent's licence and I am working hard at that.

"The exam is in March and I have lots of studying to do and revision to start.

"It's actually a lot more complicated than I thought it would be, but it's something I had always thought about doing.

"There are times now when I think 'I could still play and make things happen' but deep down I know I can't.

"My body had reached a point where it just wasn't producing the goods any more."

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BUMPER DEAL FOR HANTS FA

SOUTHAMPTON-based BSA-Regal Group have extended their agreement as main sponsor of Hampshire FA for a further four seasons through to June 2016.

The existing sponsorship agreement started in July 2008 and was due to run until June 2012.

But both organisations were keen to extend their relationship beyond this date.

BSA's sponsorship money will enable Hampshire FA to further invest into grassroots football and assist in its delivery of The FA's National Game Strategy which has recently been extended.

Neil Cassar, Chief Executive of Hampshire FA, said: "We are absolutely thrilled that we have been able to renew this agreement as it continues to provide vital support for grassroots football and enables us to be one of the leading county FA's in the country."

"BSA-Regal Group has proven to be a first class sponsor of grassroots football and I hope that we can remain partners for many years."

David Bennett, Group Managing Director of BSA-Regal Group, said "BSA-Regal has always taken an interest in the development of young people through sporting activities and we are very pleased to be in the fortunate position to be able to continue to help Hampshire FA fulfil their plans with grassroots football."



GREAT SPONSORSHIP: Hampshire FA Chief Executive Neil Cassar, middle, presents a Hampshire FA shirt to BSA Regal Managing Director David Bennett, left, and Electrical Services Director Dave Diaper, who is also the manager of top local non league club Sholing.



OPEN FOR BUSINESS: John Ward unveils the plaque with his wife Freda. Pic by www.mirrorboxstudios.co.uk

Ward unveils new suite at headquarters

HAMPSHIRE FA have opened a new conference room within the extension at their Winklebury Football Complex headquarters.

The suite was officially opened last weekend and has been named the John Ward Suite in honour and appreciation of the organisation's current chairman.

After many years involvement in local football, John joined the Hants FA Council in 1972 and became deputy chairman in 1989 before being elected as chairman in 1997. Alongside this role, he has also represented Hampshire FA on The FA Council since 1998 and has been on The FA's main board and national game board since 2005.

Neil Cassar, chief executive of Hampshire FA said: "John has been a fantastic servant of grassroots football in Hampshire. He has not only contributed greatly within the County but also to The FA on a national level. We are proud to have him as our chairman and he thoroughly deserves to have our new conference room named after him."

Ward added: "This is wonderful honour but I see this as not so much an honour for myself but for all those who work for football in Hampshire."

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Lyndhurst hang on in there

JUST one Drew Smith Group Southampton Football League team is left in the Hampshire Intermediate Cup.

And survivors Senior 1 Lyndhurst's tie with Tadley Res wasn't played. It was put back a week to this weekend.

Nursling suffered an embarrassing 7-0 mauling at the hands of Northwood St John and Comrades came unstuck 4-0 at Portcastrians.

Should Lyndhurst be successful

COUNTY CUPS

they have drawn the tie no one wanted – away at Liphook Utd, who have performed admirably over the last few seasons and will be a tough nut for the Foresters to crack.

The Junior A Cup produced five winners, however, and, once again, the Junior 3 teams did the league proud.

Riverside sent Burton for a burton

4-2 with Kev Corbett-Butler netting twice.

FC Wellington defeated BSS Portsmouth 2-0 courtesy of Dave Turner and Dan Sabine and Compton Res had a great 5-3 win at Herriards with a pair apiece from Elliott Greenslade and Matt Burke.

They are joined by their own first team who progressed with a 3-0 verdict over Winton Boro – James Duthie, Ben Fielder and Mike Ricketts sharing the honours.

The fifth element are Wombles, who cleaned up when Tadley A failed to raise a side.

Four others were not so fortunate – Soton Energy going down 4-0 at Basingstoke Rangers, AFC Grains 6-2 at Bournemouth Electric, Hedge End Rangers 3-0 at Sandown and, unluckiest of all, Park Sports who lost 2-1 after extra time at Sutton Scotney.

The draw paired Wellington with Compton Res, Compton first team

host Sutton Scotney, Riverside host B'mouth Electric with Wombles trundle up to Andover to face New Street A.

Just one survivor in the B Cup – AFC Gulf Western defeated AFC Station 3-0 thanks to Dave Barnaby, Jack McStay and Paul Madden and face a trip to Horndean Hawks in the quarter finals.

Chandler's Ford fell 3-1 at Richmond Pk and Priory Rovers 3-1 to Queens Pk Ath Res.

Hoodoo hits the holders

VETERANS

THE HFA Vets semi-finals will not involve holders Nursling. They were beaten by bogey team Sporting BTC – 2-1 as Matt Hawes and Paul Williams scored.

Sporting's opponents will be Q K Soton who had a 4-2 victory over BTC Soton, the honours shared by Toby Adams, Al Vincent, Piotr Patowski and Nick Smith.

Goals from Jim Robinson and Ian Nash secured Colden Common a 2-0 win at Hythe Aztecs. They will meet B Division high-flyers Hedge End Rangers who crushed AFC Stoneham 6-2 with Kev Alden on a treble, Mark Mills two and Brett Hyde on target.

In the Eastleigh RA Vets League Cup, Locks Heath shocked GE Aviation 4-3 to reach the semi-finals. Gary Woods, Jason Thomas and John Ponting plus an own goal did the damage.

In A Division action Questmap extended their lead at the top with a 3-1 win at Redlynch as James Caldwell scored all three. Sholing kept in touch with a 4-1 verdict over OT's – Sean Walters with two.

Rising Sun Winchester extended their lead at the top of the B Division with a 4-2 win at Northend with Mark Green scoring twice. Compton secured a narrow 2-1 win over Wildern.

C Division leaders Sporting BTC B fell to a Mark Lowe goal for GE Aviation B who jump to second with games in hand over the leaders.

Their cause was assisted by Michelmersh & T who defeated previously second-placed Sholing B 4-1 with Mark Turnbull scoring three.

Baddesley Park were top scorers with a 6-2 win at Redbridge OB, Tony Girdlestone hitting half their six.

Langlely Manor B moved out of the bottom two with a 2-1 win at Winchester OB, Justin Beverley scoring both.

Defeat apiece for Premier title rivals

SHOCK, horror, probe, Bush Hill were beaten 3-1 by Forest Town as Simon Betteridge, Lee Alp and Dan Fry all weighed in.

However closest rivals Southampton University also went down 2-1 at AFC Hittingbury – Tom Sands and Mike Gray both scoring, writes **ROD SUTHERLAND**.

Cutbush edged a seven-goal thriller 4-3. But, 4-1 up, they had to withstand a late comeback, holding on to win thanks to goals from Alex Thistle, Sanchez McLean, Greg Ainsworth and an own goal.

Another win under new manager Anthony Field for Bishopstoke WMC – 2-0 at London Airways saw them draw away from BTC.

Just two games in Senior 1 as the weather affected the division most.

Cadnam moved into second spot thanks to a 5-0 win at Lyndhurst with Josh House on a double.

Third-placed Thornhill HK turned over local rivals Hedge End Town 6-1 with Billy Cozens hitting a second half hat-trick.

JUNIOR LEAGUES

JUNIOR 1 leaders South City crashed 2-1 at home to Veracity Vipers, for whom Richie Channell played in goal.

Sean Wren and Costa Sourmenidis netted.

Any of the top seven look capable of winning this

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TAKING AIM: Gary Dare lines up his shot for Thornhill HK against Hedge End Town.



ON TARGET: Dare's shot goes in at the far post in Thornhill's 6-1 win over Hedge End.



CRACKER: Daryl Hobbs hammers Thornhill's second.

tight section.

Braishfield inflicted a 3-0 defeat on bottom club Otterbourne A.

Top clash in Junior 2 saw Langlely Manor hold leaders QK Soton A 1-1.

Solent Saints moved into contention with a 6-2 victory over Inmar – two each for Ben Doyle and Jack Elvin.

Sean Brown was the Hamble Utd treble hero in their 5-2 victory over galling Wellow.

Gavin Dewey produced a man-of-the-match performance for Chamberlayne Ath, scoring one and making the other for Louis Le Mesurier in their 2-0 victory over Questmap.

A Kane Jones treble was not enough to keep AFC Gordon's recent run going as they fell 3-6 to Chandler's Ford Rangers. Jamie Nash, with three, and Tom Milczarek, with two, did the damage.

Warsash Wasp were surprised 2-1 by Bricklayers who moved off the bottom to be replaced by Cricketers Eastleigh, who fell 8-4 to Capital. Dave Banks hit three and Anthony Palmier two.

In Junior 4 Harefield and Good Companions battled out a seven-goal thriller which was won 4-3 by Harefield. They remain top as a result with Ryan Gallantry on a double.

Second-placed West Totton were grateful to Mark Cumber, who hit four in a 6-2 verdict over Botley

Village Res.

Bottom-of-the table Cricketers Fair Oak defeated next-to-bottom Brigadier Gerard 6-1 with Santini Mucci scoring three to lift them to within a point of their opponents.

Junior 5 produced a rare – but impressive – victory for Athletico Romsey, 6-2 over Riverside Res with Mark Walker scoring four and Tom Munday two.

Botley Village A missed the chance to go top, falling 4-0 at Stanton with Matt Lewis scoring two. Mike Thomas and James Williams weighed in.

New leaders are Horton Heath who scored eight without reply against London Airways, Rich Mannion hitting four and Jack Hazeldine a brace. Freemantle and Hamble Utd Res shared four goals.

The Junior 6 top v bottom clash produced the expected outcome, SG Sports inflicting a 9-3 scoreline on Mich & Tims A. Matt Perry and Jimmy Greenough both hit hat-tricks and Anthony Gardner a brace.

New Forest Res are three points behind with a game in hand after a 4-0 triumph against fellow hopefuls Coxford Jets as Gary Stoner hit three.

Chris Neale of Braishfield Res also collected a three-goal haul as his team defeated Coxford Mechanics 6-3. Burridge Village kept AFC Soton in their place with a 3-0 win.

MORE NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL – SEE PAGES 22-29

Non-league Football

DERBY DRAMA AT BRANKSOME

THERE was late drama at Branksome Rec where the local derby between Branksome Railway and reigning HAYWARD SUNDAY PREMIER LEAGUE champions Branksome Con attracted a crowd of more than 150.

Railway took a two-goal lead in the first half through Ashley Boyt and Kieron Mulvey but the champions salvaged a 2-2 draw thanks to a couple of late goals from skipper Martin Sault.

West Moors SSC move up to third place after Mike Haskell (2) and Martin Kelly ensured a 3-0 win over Christchurch Royals while Priory Quays walloped TX United 7-1 courtesy of Dan Whitthorn's hat-trick and two apiece from both Dan Bartlett and Ollie Peckham.

William Stride rattled in four when third-placed Foresters Arms spanked Tavla Spor 6-0 in DIVISION ONE, with the other two goals coming from Alex Davis.

Bournemouth Athletic netted through Ruairi McKeown and a Richard Preston hat-trick but Bluewood Athletic had the upper hand 6-4 thanks to Mark Wheeler's four goal blast and further goals from Phil Swierczynski and Shivan Roushbaiani.

Meanwhile, in the other Division One game, Pepe Smith and Toby Holmes nabbed two each in Parley Sports' 4-0 victory over Harry's Bar.

James Vallery struck for DIVISION TWO pacesetters Redhill but Vienna Windows topped them 2-1 thanks to Stuart Marshall and an own goal.

Lovett take over in pole position after Stuart McKillop and Sandor Wilson earned them a 2-2 draw with promotion rivals Creekmoor Lions who replied through Wayne Nash and Garry Chappell.

Third-placed AC FC also drew 2-2 when Sam Read and Scott Hole earned them a point against Tiegle Tiles.

Matthew Groves put Ferndown Locomotive in



ON THE CHARGE: Action from Bournemouth Manor's 3-2 win over Old Oaks (blue).

■ HAYWARD SUNDAY LEAGUE

front but the DIVISION THREE championship contenders went down 3-1 when promotion rivals Verwood SSC came back with second-half goals from Shaun Steer (2) and Stuart Davids.

Sean Heron was the five-goal star in KC Transport's 9-1 trouncing of LV with Dave Linton, Matt Wells, Gary Williams and Marc Harrison adding one each while Three Cross chalked up their first win of the season when Steve Gowring and Jamie Iles gave them the edge 2-1 in the basement battle with fellow strugglers Boscombe Celtic.

Shoulder of Mutton Reserves are three points clear at the top of DIVISION FOUR after Terry Foote (2) and Leighton Clarke gave them a 3-1 success against Bournemouth Sports.

Specialist Lettings replace Corfe Mullen United in the runners-up spot after upending them 5-2 with a George Kniff hat-trick and further goals from Danny Gibbons and Lucas Campion while Oakdale Con hammered Harbourside 8-0 with goals

from Brad Angel (2), Ashley Cutler (2), Gary Stephens (2), Shaun Clayden, and Jace Latore.

Jason Thorne hit Broadstone Con for six when second-placed Rockbourne hit them 13-1 in DIVISION FIVE. Ben Jury added a hat-trick for rampant Rockbourne with Robin Tennant (2), Dean Hooper, and Darren Gale also on target.

Third-placed AFC Stourvale had the edge 3-2 against Hollies thanks to Peter Richmond-Cole (2) and Alistair Garard while Alderney Manor put paid to bottom placed Grove Tavern 4-1 with goals from Simon Whitaker (2), Jack O'Hara, and Dave Roberts.

Ace are just a point adrift of DIVISION SIX leaders Kings Arms Wallisdown after their 6-2 triumph over Wessex Wanderers with goals from Carl Douglas (2), Tom Craven, Aidan Kelly, Sean Holder and Martyn MacKinley.

Kavell Reserves were 4-2 winners against Wimborne Magpies thanks to Gary

Armstrong (2), Jon Massey, and an own goal while Townsend Spartans gave New Milton Borough a 7-0 thrashing courtesy of Anthony Cappalonga's hat-trick, and own goal, and further strikes from Rory Robertson, Parris Simpkins, and Charlie Foreman.

White Heather Hornets remain three points clear in DIVISION SEVEN after lapping Intellihouse 9-1 through Baillie Ttofalli (2), George Moraitis (2), Luke Homer (2), Chris Baldry, Marcus Moraitis and Charles Stratton.

Martin Frigot scored all four goals when nearest rivals Newtown Rovers swept James & James aside 4-0 while Dave Ventress scored all three goals when third-placed Vienna Windows Reserves shaded it 3-2 against Richmond Park Rangers.

Cranborne netted through Matt Read, Chris Roberts, and Adam Beattie but the DIVISION EIGHT pacesetters had to settle for a point when Chris Wingfield, George Osborne and Oliver Cottis earned Ferndown Forest a 3-3 draw.

Rough Justice – as United's unbeaten run comes to an end

■ HAYWARD SATURDAY LEAGUE

HARRINGTON United's unbeaten record was ruined when Bournemouth Electric Reserves upended them 1-0 with a goal from Matt Justice to go up to second in DIVISION ONE.

Alderholt are third after Mark Desborough (2), Tom Cranmer, and Simon Dorrington gave them the upper hand 4-2 against Twynham Rangers while Lascelles Richardson scored both goals to give Ferndown Sports the verdict 2-1 against local rivals Ferndown Town Greenfields.

Tailenders Old Oakmeadians staged a battling performance against PREMIER DIVISION leaders Bournemouth Manor but once again they found themselves beaten by the odd goal. Manor are ten points clear at the top after Darren Millar, Anthony Wright, and Sam Goodwin gave them the edge 3-2 with Peter Pritchard getting both Old Oaks goals.

Ben Spencer and Dan McKrill netted for Trinidad but Bournemouth Electric move up to second place after emerging 5-2 winners thanks to Lloyd Miles, Liam McGlynn, and a Mike Wynne hat-trick.

Toby Holmes bagged a hat-trick in Parley Sports' 6-1 triumph over Hamworthy Recreation with Adam Jones, Dan Hickford and Sam Bush adding one each.

Simeon Grant (2) and Steve Wallace struck for DIVISION TWO pacesetters Westover Bournemouth Reserves but they had to settle for a point when Jon Kefford (2), and Ian Musselwhite earned struggling Mploy a 2-2 draw.

Richmond Park Con are just a point adrift of the leaders with a game in hand after Mark Pudney (2), Sam Cummings, and Paul Barber ensured a 4-0 victory over third placed New Milton Linnets.

Drew MacGregor and Dan Frisby gave St Mary's an impressive 2-1 success against Bournemouth Manor Reserves while Galleon sank Fordingbridge Turks 3-0 with goals from David Ball (2) and Dominic Burton.

Tom Faulkner netted for Bisterne Rangers but their DIVISION THREE title hopes suffered a setback when they went down 2-1 to goals from Pete Valinski and Chris Vallery against Redhill Rangers.

Seabourns just got the better of Mudeford Men's Club Reserves in a 5-4 thriller thanks to Joe Bond (2), Rob Johnson, Jack Roberts, and Karl Painter while Downton Sports accounted for neighbours Redlynch & Woodfalls United Reserves 4-1 thanks to Lee Syrett, Luke Charity, Chris Jackson, and James Dorrington.

AFC Bransgore move up to second place in DIVISION FOUR after Charlie Field, Rich Hickling, and Sam Quinn (pen) gave them the edge 3-2 against Fife Standards while Matt Vining (2) and Jack Pallant earned bottom placed Milford an impressive 3-3 draw with Napoleons.

Robert Cole was the five-goal star when second placed Screw-It Carpentry walloped Allendale Reserves 7-2 in DIVISION FIVE with Dean Hindle and Dan Crespi adding one each.

Tailenders Boldre Royals opened their points account when Jake Bockhart (2), Adam Nash, and Rob Black earned them a very creditable 4-4 draw with FC Boscelona who are replaced in third position by Bournemouth Manor A who tanned Wightampton Reserves 4-0 with goals from Aaron Woldon (2), Toby Lee, and Tom Vincent.

Steve Pockneall and Alex Mackenzie netted for Portcastrian Reserves but their unbeaten record disappeared when DIVISION SIX leaders A & T Athletic upended them 5-2 with goals from Anthony Winders (2), Trevor Fisher (2), and Jamie Tuvey.

Shaun Steer rattled in five when Ferndown Town Greenfields Reserves took over in second place after their 7-3 triumph over Alderholt Reserves with Kieron Arif (pen) and Ben Allcock adding one each while Bransgore United Reserves poleaxed Redhill Rangers Reserves 4-1 with Dean Brough and Ryan Tollworthy nabbing two each.

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Non-league Football



Hamble are closing in on the top spot

S&D Sunday League

HAMBLE Club continue to ride high after their memorable cup win, as they beat Otter 5-2 away to move up into third.

The game had been 0-0 at half time, but Hamble finished the game as the winners following a flood of goals after the interval.

Kev Hayter hit a hat-trick for Hamble Club alongside goals from Ben Williams and James Wilson, whilst Mike Phillips and Mark Turnbull scored for Otter.

Roll Call's 4-1 win against West End FC means they have gone level on points with Division Two leaders CS FC.

Once again all the goals came in the second half, as Mike Bessent claimed a hat-trick and Shaun Davey netted for Roll Call.

West End FC's Colin Noden scored their only goal in reply.

Three goals could not secure AFC Portswood a win over Landguard Rovers, who hit them for six through Lee Hewit, Andy Neocleous, Dan Sutcliffe and a Nathan Bygraves hat-trick.

The 6-3 win pushes Landguard Rovers past Trants FC into third.

Nick Green, Mike Knappett and Leo Norman were the scorers for AFC Portswood, who remain bottom of Division Two with no points.

Greg Snellgrove was the scorer for Fair Oak Albion and Wayne Le Bas netted for AFC Anchor in a game that ended honours even at 1-1.

Prestige South were on the receiving end of a 9-1 home mauling by bottom side C&G FC in the surprise result of the day.

C&G FC vented their bottom of the table frustrations on third place Prestige South in a game that saw them double both their points and total goals scored.

Dan Collinson led the way with four goals, which were followed up by goals for teammates Dan Collins, Ryan Gardiner, Mikes Jones, Paul Johnson and Wayne Healy.

Hoff Sports emerged victorious from their crucial mid-table clash with Kingsgate in Division Four.

Paul Kelly and Dave Plumhoff added to braces by Lee Aspinall and Dale Davies to give Hoff Sports the 6-3 win over their mid-table rivals, who scored through Mike Broughton (2) and Gregorz Ludwiczak.

The vital win means Hoff Sports have jumped three places up the league into second, within three points of leaders Coopervision with two games in hand.

The table is now tighter than ever, with three teams level on ten points, and five teams within four points of each other.

AVENUE THUMP TABLE-TOPPERS

City of Soton Sunday League

AVENUE hit four past Premier Division leaders Brookhill Saints to go second.

Paul Doswell (2) Alexis Oswald and Richard Luffman were the scorers for Avenue in the 4-1 victory.

Echo battled their way up the table into fifth with a 4-1 win over Revolution.

A treble from Alan Gates and a goal from Sam Ferguson piled on the misery for third from bottom Revolution, who scored their lone goal through Jacob Adderly.

FC Salt hitman James Langer scored a brace in his team's 3-0 victory over FC Railway. Matt Barnes was also on the score-sheet.

Ice House NH blasted Itchen Manor 5-0 to earn themselves back-to-back wins.

Ashley Baddams, Billy D'Souza, Shaun Hardcastle and Tony Yorke (2) got the goals.

Old House at Home hammered Carnival UK 6-0 to add to their woes at the bottom.

James Partridge scored three whilst Dan Tiroke, Dan Morgan and Mike Scoones hit singles in a game that sees Old House at Home continue to mount a challenge to second place Brookhill Saints Reserves, although their rivals have four games in hand.

Athletico HC stay hot on the tail of Old House at Home after their 6-2 away win against Sports Mania. Dave Fielden and Luke Poulton scored for Sports Mania, but goals from Oliver Davidson, Ricky Winner (2), David King and Todd Wyneth gave Athletico HC the win. Sports Mania's Danny Martin also got in on the goals, albeit at the wrong end.

Sherfield English were stunned by in-form Cherbourg, who beat them 5-1 away.

Mike Williams scored the Junior Three leaders' only goal, as they had five sent past them by Matt Henriët, Ian Hellard, Mike Knott and Gavin Cross (2).

Woodmill moved into second in Junior Four with a 4-1 win over mid-table Eastpoint.

Eastpoint's Dean Brunson got their goal, while Jack Jewell, Craig Johnston, and a Steve



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Allen brace earned Woodmill the points, making it back-to-back wins for them.

On fire Jon Andrews continues to spearhead AV Chivas' revival, as he smashed five past a shocked Portswood United to complete a 6-4 away win.

James Martin added to the five goal-haul of his teammate, who has now scored in all of Chivas' three consecutive wins.

Matt White, Dan Khdir, Joe Powell and James Barnsdell (pen) scored for Portswood, who were unable to maintain the pressure on leaders Sporting View.

All seven goals came before the half time break in HSC Southern Stars' 4-3 victory over Sherfield English Reserves.

Ron Hassan, Tanade Abdirahman, Hassan Sheikh and Rage Hussein were the scorers for HSC Southern Stars, who narrowly won the first half battle and proceeded to shut out their opponents in the second.

Sherfield English Reserves scored through a Jack Solloway brace and an own goal.

The win moves HSC Southern Stars above AFC Bishopstoke and away from the relegation zone.

AFC Southampton are now just a point ahead of Hythe & Dibden Sunday at the top of Junior Six after they could only grind out a draw against bottom club Test Valley Spartans.

Test Valley had led 1-0 at half time, but the game finished 3-3 after goals from AFC Southampton's Harry Parker, Denis Jack and Callum Plomer.

Joe Reed got a double for Test Valley Spartans and Ali Smith also scored.

An electric first half contained all six goals in the bottom-of-the-table clash between Botley Babes and Sporting Compass Reserves.

Hat-trick scorer Richard Morgan was the difference for Botley Babes, with teammate

Jack Lochray adding to his three. Nick Walker and Toby Wilkes got the goals for Sporting Compass Reserves.

Hythe & Dibden Sunday are on the verge of overtaking AFC Southampton at the top, after they won 6-2 against Marchwood.

Jake Voller, Dan Piernicki, Dan Sultana and Paul Wilkinson got singles for Hythe & Dibden, while Neil Derby scored two.

A barn-storming four-goal performance from Ben Dawkins made absolutely certain of victory for RS Ocean Village against Ampfield, as they won 7-1 in the fight for third.

RS Ocean Village were 3-0 up at half time and added four more after the interval to make sure of the win, with Dan Sanders, Akbar Shah and Ashley Wiltshire also grabbing goals.

Brian Bennett was the scorer for Ampfield. The win takes RS Ocean Village three points clear of Ampfield in third.

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Non-league Football



CUP CLASH: Action from the Hampshire Cup game between Riverside Magic and CI.

Swood are knocked out in a goal frenzy

Meon Valley League

MOST sides were in Hampshire Cup action last weekend, with AFC Swood narrowly going out in an eleven-goal thriller against FC Boca.

Doubles from Craig White and Dan Lucas and a single strike from James Gregory weren't enough, as the division four high-flyers went down 6-5. Purbrook also lost out, beaten 4-2 away at Sporting Compass, despite two stunning finishes from Liam Cobb.

Milton Rovers did secure their place in the next round though, with a 6-2 win over Baffins Milton.

Ryan White and Lewis Madden helped themselves to a brace each, with Stuart Dollery and Dave McHugh also registering. Burridge lost 2-0 to Forresters, whilst Waterloo Social Club were also defeated, losing 2-1 to Robin Hood Rovers, despite Mark Wood's goal.

In division one, Soberton United won 4-2 away at Titchfield, with Clive Pailing, Stewart Thompson, Adam Smith and Olabiyi Oluswaseun on the scoresheet, whilst Andy Hamlett scored twice for the hosts.

In the second-tier, Martin West's hat-trick helped Wickham Dynamos to a 5-1 success over Alresford Athletic.

Ben Jackman and Dan Perry also struck for the Dynamos, with Ben Bystry finding the net for Athletic.

Danny Rimmer's treble earned Milton Rovers Reserves all three points against Baffins Milton Reserves as they won 3-2, whilst in division three Travaux got back to winning ways with a 6-4 triumph against Southwick Lions.

Ryan Jennings (3), Dan Hale, Andy White and Cameron Morgan got the goals, whilst James Radcliffe, Warren Bailey and David Newcombe (2) scored for the Lions.

SDC got the better of Cowplain in a high-scoring encounter, as the visitors eased to a 5-4 win.

Ollie Jones, Danny Thomas, Matt Pople and Ashley Harbinson did the damage, whilst Fareham United and Shefford Rovers fought out a goalless draw.

And finally, in the fourth-tier, AFC Portchester were beaten 5-0 by Horndean XI Reserves.

ARMS MARCH ON INTO SEMI-FINAL

SHANE Flooks and Costa Sourmendis were on target for Knighton Arms as they went through to the semi-final of the Hampshire Senior Cup after a 2-1 win over MSC Athletic.

Chamberlayne Athletic progressed to the (fourth round) of the Intermediate Cup, after they beat AFC Purbrook 3-0 with goals from Louis Le Messieur (2) and Darren Nutbeen.

Greg King was the hat-trick hero for Horns Inn as they completed a 5-2 victory over Cobden Sports.

Matty Hambridge and Josh Codling also scored for Horns Inn, as they bagged three more after half-time to cement their win.

A lone second half goal from Lewis Wyeth could not bring KRL back from a 2-0 half time deficit, as they lost 3-1 to Boshmere Rangers.

Brookhill Saints Reserves carried their winning league form into the cup as they beat Dynamo Cove 3-0, with Sean Haines, Jody Agrella and James Lavender on the scoresheet.

The same could not be said for

Hampshire Cups round-up

Riverside Magic, who suffered a 3-1 cup disappointment at the hands of CI.

A single goal from Matthew Coulthard was little consolation for Riverside Magic. Darren Wallace's goal for Hedge End Club proved the difference in a closely fought encounter that saw them knock out Saturn Royal.

Steven Taylor of Winston Hotel scored a hat-trick in his side's 5-0 win over Mayfair. Dave Gentry and Mark Bruce were also amongst the scorers for Winston, who go through to round four.

Lloyd Bryant was the scorer of Woodman's only goal as they succumbed to a 7-1 home defeat against AFC Peawit.

Pete Cole and Ash Simmonds both scored after the interval to help Foresters AFC to a 2-0 win against Burridge.

AFC Riverside needed five goals to defeat AFC Toynbee in the most dramatic game of the day.

AFC Riverside had led 2-1 at half-

time in this nine goal thriller, but the game ended 3-3 at 90 minutes before Riverside restored their lead in extra time and won the match 5-4.

AFC Riverside's Ted Aplin and Mike Collins added to Andy Dance's hat-trick as they dug out the hard fought victory.

Dan Egan (2), Calum Frampton and Steve Knight were the scorers for AFC Toynbee.

Goals from Eastbrook Harriers Reserves' pair Nick McAllister and Chris Purchase could not propel their team to a comeback against Meonstoke. Eastbrook Harriers Reserves trailed 3-0 at half-time, and Meonstoke added another four in the second half to finish the game 7-2.

Bridge AFC got through to the fourth round with a brilliant 5-2 away win against Freehouse. Danny Longman stood out from the crowd with his four goals, and James Whitaker also scored.

Chartwell Green progressed to

the next round via a walkover as Strouden Sports were unable to field a team.

Sporting Compass triumphed 4-2 against Purbrook in the Hampshire Junior 'C' Cup 3rd Round, with goals from Stuart McCloskey, Wayne Vincent, Tom Williams and Andy West.

Jason Gradidge added to Craig Holloway's brace to earn Sporting View a 3-1 win against Daedalus. Fork Falcons won 2-0 against Royale Marine, whilst AC United knocked Southampton Boys out of the cup with a 1-0 win.

Halfway United's cup run continues after they thumped Alton Wanderers 6-0. The game was 1-0 at halftime, but a second half collapse saw Alton Wanderers concede five and plummet out of the competition.

Amongst the scorers for Halfway were Lee Smith (2), Rich Edwards, and Will Mason, as well as an own goal from Andy Roberts.

A trio of goals from Aaron Dack, Matt Rodaway and Nathan Rose put King George through at the expense of Locksheath Sports & SC.

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Youth Football

Derby joy for Saints' under-14s

Girls & ladies football

SOUTHAMPTON Girls & Ladies' under-16s made light work of arch rivals Portsmouth, as they clocked up a 5-1 derby win.

The sides were all square until manager Peter Horne switched striker Grace Henderson into mid-field and moved Hannah Knapton up front.

The tactical switch paid instant dividends as Henderson powered through to give Saints the lead and Knapton then converted a Megan Richmond corner to make it 2-0.

Pompey then roared back into the game and Saints were thankful that keeper Lucy Venables, pictured below, was in good form as she thwarted a number of promising Pompey attacks.

A strike from Shanai Fitzjohn eventually got Pompey back in the game, but

Tiffany Eley restored Saints two-goal lead on the stroke of half-time.

Pompey could find no answer to Saints' flowing football in the second half and a peach of a volley from Eley and a second from



Knapton ensured Saints ran out worthy winners.

Southampton's under-14 side put nine goals past New Forest Jets in their nine-a-side fixture.

Saints overcame having a number of players missing to record a thumping win with the goals coming from Megan Chapman (3), Tiffany Eley (2), Elle Pearce (2), Lisbeth Mottishead and Latalia Payne.

The under-12s side despatched Portsmouth Uni 11-0 and there was an equally emphatic win for the under-11s, who beat Crofton Saints 7-0 in the League Cup with goals from Abbie Lee (2), Eleanor Elsey (2), Bex Quinn (2) and Beth Wilcock.

The under-10s were not so fortunate in their cup tie as they fell to a 4-2 home defeat to Winchester – Simge Rosz netting both Saints goals.

● Southampton Ladies' first XI came home with a point from their crucial bottom-of-the-table clash with Keynsham.

Jas Abbey had Saints' best chance but looked to be bundled over as she poked the ball towards goal. However, no foul was given and the chance was cleared as the game eventually ended 0-0.

Cup produces



ACTION: Itchen College's Callum Oliver heads just wide in his side's clash with Totton in the Hampshire Sixth Form Colleges Cup, above, and, below, more action from the game.

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Mike Vimpany's Colleges round-up

ALTON against Itchen, and Sparsholt v Brockenhurst – that's the draw for the Hampshire Sixth Form Colleges Pete Munro Cup semi-finals on January 25.

This week's quarter-final ties produced a real goal-fest, with Alton beating Havant 6-4, Brockenhurst putting ten past Basingstoke without reply, and Itchen snatching a stoppage-time penalty winner to beat Totton 3-2.

Last season's beaten finalists Sparsholt nicked a 1-0 win at Queen Mary's in the other tie.

With Hartley Wintney cricketer Will Phillips bagging a hat-trick, Jason Sampson and Nick Taylor each scoring, Alton were in cruise mode, 5-1 up in the second half.

But Havant, with Ollie Zee at his creative best in midfield,

clawed it back to 5-4 through Luke Chalcraft (2), James Freeman and Matt Corsaro to have Alton in a state of panic before Sampson got the vital sixth goal.

Callum Oliver notched a hat-trick – his third coming from a last-gasp penalty – as Itchen eventually saw off Totton 3-2 in a Middle Road game literally laced with chances.

Itchen ought to have won it by some distance, but their profligate finishing left the tie in the balance until the last minute of normal time.

Ironically, Itchen were ahead inside 90 seconds when Oliver cut through the Totton defence, but chances galore went begging after that and the cup holders – much changed from last season's double winning side – paid the penalty when Nathan Hunt latched on to Jake Swift's pass to level the scores after the break.

When Ryan Lewis cut in to lay on a second goal for Oliver it looked as though Itchen would ease to victory, but they contin-



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Youth Football

goal-fests

used to miss chances and, predictably, caught a cold when James Clifton beat Ross Casey to make it 2-2.

Adam Tomasso, who just missed out on England Under-18s selection, had a goal disallowed for offside but, with extra-time looming and the light fading fast, Oliver was shoved in the back and beat Matt Fredericks from the penalty spot to give Itchen their victory.

Brockenhurst, in contrast, put their chances away, hammering Basingstoke CoT 10-0, with Adam Stride and Jack Lovell notching hat-tricks.

Brad Hill (2), Tom du Faur and Lewis Ross completed the rout. Sparsholt, beaten by Totton in last season's final, overcame a first half penalty miss to beat Queen Mary's College 1-0.

Luke Ginger headed a 30th minute winner from Ben Brown's cross to seal a semi-final showdown with Brockenhurst, with whom they drew 2-2 recently.

In the Second XI Cup, holders

Itchen edged out Barton Peveril 1-0, with Farnborough winning a penalty shoot-out against Sparsholt after a 1-1 draw in normal time.

Brockenhurst trimmed Alton 2-0, while Taunton's – cup winners in 2010 – enjoyed a single goal victory over Totton.

Totton did, at least, enjoy success in the 3rd XI Cup with an emphatic 4-1 win against Farnborough, but King Edward's went out 4-3 to Itchen, who have sides in all three semi-finals once again.

Hampshire Collegiate pulled off a thrilling 4-3 extra-time win over Bay House, with Chris Harvie scoring twice, and Max Pfandl and Dom Nozahic scoring the other goals.

Cup semi-final draws

Pete Munro Cup: Alton v Itchen, Sparsholt v Brockenhurst.

2nd XI Cup: Itchen v Farnborough, Taunton's v Brockenhurst.

3rd XI Cup: Itchen v Brockenhurst, Totton v Hampshire Collegiate.

Wednesday's fixtures: Alton v Taunton's, Basingstoke v Poole, Bournemouth v Peter Symond's, Farnborough v Barton Peveril, Itchen v Totton, Portsmouth v Havant, Queen Mary's v Brockenhurst.

● BITTERNE Park and Amesbury-based Stonehenge go head-to-head in the English Schools FA Under-15 Cup fifth round at the University's Wide Lane ground, opposite the Airport Parkway station, on Monday, 1.45pm.

They are the first of the local schools to play their next round ESFA Cup ties.

Poole High School entertain Haberdashers Aske's Academy, from Bromley, in the ESFA Under-18 Cup on Wednesday, January 4.

King's (Winchester) go to Whitgift School in the ESFA Premier League Under-14 Cup on January 10.

Peter Symond's have been drawn at home to City College (Brighton) in the ESFA Under-18 Colleges Trophy.

● Hampshire Under-14s are through to the last eight of the English Schools County Trophy after a dramatic penalty shoot-out win over Surrey.

They won the spot kick duel 5-4 after drawing 1-1 in normal time. Dory Yates capped an outstanding game by scoring Hampshire's goal, which has earned a home quarter-final tie against Kent in the new year.

There was also success for Hampshire's depleted Under-16 squad, who travelled to Essex with only 12 players – two of them goalkeepers – and pulled off a terrific 1-0 win.

Jordan Salvage got Hampshire's second half winner from a deep ball into the Essex defence from Jack White. Hampshire host Kent in the next round.



GET IN: Nathan Hurst is congratulated by his Totton teammates after netting the leveller against Itchen.

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GOALMOUTH ACTION:

Itchen pile the pressure on the Totton goal, main pic, and Nathan Hurst hits the target for Totton, left.

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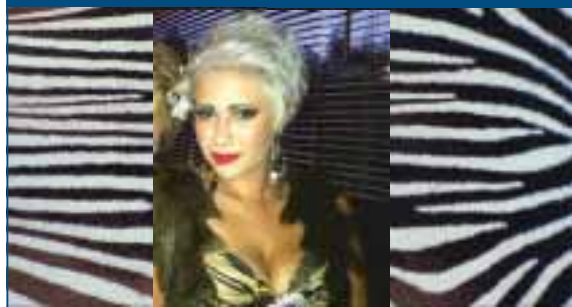


ON THE BALL: Itchen's Isaac McLean goes on the attack against Totton.

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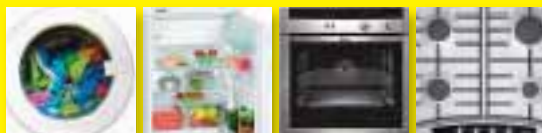


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ACTION: Romsey under-eights take on Salisbury.

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More than 140 young hockey players from across the south turned out for their teams at Romsey School last weekend for Romsey Hockey Club's annual mini hockey festival. The Daily Echo's MATT WATSON was on hand to capture the best of the action.



ACTION: Romsey under-10s take on Winchester under-10s (in bibs) at the Romsey Hockey Tournament last weekend, while Andover under-eights (above) and Trojans under-eights (below) line up for the camera.

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FAST & FURIOUS: Above and below, action from Romsey under-10s v Salisbury.



ACTION: Andover under-eights take on Trojans at the Romsey Hockey Tournament.

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WINSOR UNDER 12: April 1995. Back (from left): Aaron Channell, Trevor Cook (manager), Christopher Wingrove, Sam Ivory, Justin Kerr, Louis Moody, Brian Lang (trainer) Adam Cook, Calvin Swan, Dave Ivory (asst manager), Richard Garvey. Front: Ryan Prendergast, Michael Woodgate, Oliver Saunders, Joseph Keenan, Luke Hamblin, Henry Neville, Adam Lang. Order no: 13595366



S&D UNDER 11: April 1995. Back (from left) Dean Light, Nathan John, Ben Francis, Stuart Bell, Daniel Child, Arron Hedges, Michael Boulter, Stephen Lynch. Front: Gary Newbury, Luke Bell, Robert Evans, Adam Rogers, Joe Hill, Ryan Campbell. Order no: 13585402



S&D UNDER 13: April 1995. Back (from left) Lee Whittaker, Matthew Thorne, Robert Burch, Ben Whittaker, Paul Burgess, Tom Sherwin, Bobby White, Trevor Ashley (manager). Front: Andrew Border, Kevin Ashley, Calum Robertson, Gary Hale, William Turlin, Ashley France, Jonathan Muncey. Order no: 13587003



S&D UNDER 11: September 1995. Back (from left) Junior Edwards, Chris Maddock, Chris Warnaby, Richard Mills, Michael Tickner, Daryl Edwards, Barrie Boland. Front: Daniel Hazlitt, Lee Marston, Lewis Colbourne, Timothy Dew, Sam Cooke. Order no: 13587006



FAWLEY FALCONS UNDER 15: October 1995. Back (from left) Michael Day, Kevin Cox, Philip Nicholas, Anthony Dew, Chris van Geffen, Stuart Roberts, Darren Saunders. Front: Dennis Wheeler, Daniel Grimes, Simon Bell, Mark Tidbury, Sean Pilcher, Peter Gates. Order no: 13587009



DIBEN METROS UNDER 15: September 1995. Back (from left) Jody Brown, Nick Mico, Neil May, Phil Nicholson, Mark Mabey, Stephen Mills, Mike Brown. Front: Andrew Chalk, Gary Jeffrey, Jon Powell, Ryan Eastman, Phillip Dyer. Order no: 13587011



CITY SLICKERS UNDER 11: February 1995. Back (from left) Kevin O'Shea, Phil Ladron, Chris Humbey, Leon Palmer, Adam Maulett, Simon Lawrence, Adam Jeffrey. Front: Shaun Clouder, John Kennott, Shaun Hughes, Gary Blanden, Mark Atkinson, Chris Penfold, Shaun Good. Order no: 13587020



HEDGE END RANGERS A: January 1995. Back (from left) Patrick Cranham, Lee Mockford, Christopher Todd, Carl Hayman, Jesse Goddard, Matthew Serles, Lee Shelley, Andrew Bauck. Front: Lee Ridoutt, Richard Gregory, Samuel Williams (captain), Stuart Mason, Joe Hopkins, Simon King. Order no: 13587025

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SPIRE UNDER 12, April 1995. Back (from left) Paul Glover (manager), Mark Williams, Edward Judd, Greg Day, Glen Dolan, Leighton Smith, Tom Prince, Dave Jones. Front: Nicky Batt, Dean Mitchell, Mark Price, Andy Savage, Darren Crook, Dean Street, Carl Jones. Order no: Order no: 13587028



WYVERN UNDER 11: November 1995. Back (From left) Andrew Day, Stephen Hercock, Gary Ankerman, Oliver Birchell, Daniel Cullen, Lee Wood, Ben May. Front: Chris Hinton, Jack Lewis, Luke Nicholls, Lee Quelch, Matthew Cook, Ryan Cox. Order no: Order no: 13586980



TOTTON RANGERS UNDER 11: December 1995. Back (from left) James Dobson (coach), Aaron Baker, Robert Sleep, Jaime Mason, Roy Hampson (sponsor), Liam Hanlon, Mark Cumber, Gary Dugdale, Julian Burgess (manager). Front: Robert Hampson, Christopher Alexander, Adam Cartwright, James Farwell, Melvin Rogers, Michael Cox, Daniel Hanlon. Order no: Order no: 13586988



ERI UNDER 11: May 1995. Back (from left) Ian Foulkes, Jonathan Beeby, Stewart Hellstein, Andrian Cousens, David Grove, Michael Tutt, Graham Drew. Front: Paul Henley, Royston O'Sullivan, James Burt, Jonathan Gibbins, Eddy Andrews, Tommy O'Malley, Ben Graham, Greg Cheesbrough. Order no: 13586995



EAGLES FC UNDER 15: March 1995. Back (from left) Matthew Roberts, Kelvin Penny, Stephen White, Dave Downie (manager), Luke Atkinson, Leon Deakin, Stuart Osman, Russell Gulliver. Front: Daniel Trotter, David Downie, Peter Leach, Nawhan Haus, Doug Dearden, Nail Maidment, Leon Deakin. Order no: 13586974



LANGLEY MANOR UNDER 11, May 1995. Back (from left) Roger Bainbridge (coach), Paul Jerram, Danny Blake, Glen Dewey, Paul Boucher, Kurt Bainbridge (asst trainer), Ryan Bainbridge, Joe McIlroy, Curtis Cooper, Jonathan Wilkinson, Dave Saich (manager). Front: Chris Whitehorn, Thomas Luke, Charley Cook, Matthew Knight, David Saich, Mark Angel. Order no: 13586983



MANSBRIDGE UNDER 11: May 1995. Back (from left) Ben Jackman, Steve Tribbeck, Tom Brick, Luke Wickenden, Paul Taylor (manager), Michael Moore, Liam McCart, Andrew Fielder, David Poore. Front: Leon Elliott, Mark Taylor, Marc Wren, Luke Comiskey, Justin Taylor, Alex Barter. Order no: 13586990



NETLEY ROYALS, March 1995. Back (from left) Thomas Merritt, Craig Bungay, Philip Snider, Daniel Jackson, Alan Hitchcock, Chris Heather, Simon Quirk. Front: Liam Thistleton, Alex Langdown, Lawrence Miles, Amish Morjaria, Mathew Cloake, Aaron Burnet. Order no: Order no: 13586998

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POMPEY	21	4	0	2	16	18	1	3	6	7	14	26	21	4	0	2	16	18	1	3	6	7	14	26	21	4	0	2	16	18	1	3	6	7	14	26			
Peterboro	21	5	1	4	25	19	2	3	6	15	20	25	21	5	1	4	25	19	2	3	6	15	20	25	21	5	1	4	25	19	2	3	6	15	20	25			
Watford	21	4	3	4	13	16	2	4	4	9	14	25	21	4	3	4	13	16	2	4	4	9	14	25	21	4	3	4	13	16	2	4	4	9	14	25			
Millwall	21	4	5	2	16	9	1	3	6	7	15	23	21	4	5	2	16	9	1	3	6	7	15	23	21	4	5	2	16	9	1	3	6	7	15	23			
Bristol C	21	2	2	6	9	14	3	3	5	12	19	20	21	2	2	6	9	14	3	3	5	12	19	20	21	2	2	6	9	14	3	3	5	12	19	20			
Ipswich	19	4	0	6	16	17	2	3	5	10	22	20	19	4	0	6	16	17	2	3	5	10	22	20	19	4	0	6	16	17	2	3	5	10	22	20			
Nottm For	21	2	3	2	6	11	19	3	0	7	7	17	20	21	2	3	2	6	11	19	3	0	7	7	17	20	21	2	3	2	6	11	19	3	0	7	7	17	20
Doncaster	21	2	4	4	6	11	2	0	9	7	14	16	21	2	4	4	6	11	2	0	9	7	14	16	21	2	4	4	6	11	2	0	9	7	14	16	21		
Coventry	21	2	4	5	11	14	0	3	9	7	11	23	21	2	4	5	11	14	0	3	9	7	11	23	21	2	4	5	11	14	0	3	9	7	11	23	21		

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Brentford2	Hartlepool1
McGinn 80, Alexander 85	Collins 83
HT 0-0	Att 6,352
Colchester4	Bury1
Duguid 2,31	John-Lewis 90
HT 0-0	Att 3,156
Huddersfield0	CHERRIES1
Handerson 19, James 66	Arter 19
HT 3-0	Att 13,930
Leyton O3	Exeter0
Libbie 65 pen, 87 pen	Tehoua 75
HT 0-0	Att 4,291
Oldham0	Sheff Wed2
HT 0-0	Prutton 62, Lowe 84 pen
Preston0	Stevenage0
HT 0-0	Att 9,425
Scunthorpe1	Carlisle2
Barcham 3	Berrett 64, Zoko 90
HT 1-0	Att 3,624
Sheff UtdL	RochdaleL
Evans 39,64	Cresswell 57
HT 1-0	Att 15,892
Tranmere0	M K Dons2
HT 0-1	Ibrehre 19, Williams 60
	Att 4,314

Walsall1	Charlton1
Macken 36	Kermorgant 45
HT 1-1	Att 4,537
Wycombe3	Chesterfield2
McNamee 31	Trotta 79
HT 0-0	Morgan 4,54
Yeovil1	Notts County0
A Williams 88	Att 4,320
HT 0-0	Att 3,663

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AFC Wimbledon0	Accrington Stanley2
HT 0-2	Amund 3
Aldershot1	Shrewsbury0
Guttridge 67	Sutherland 59
HT 0-0	Att 4,053
Bradford1	Plymouth1
Henson 86	Sutherland 59
HT 0-0	Att 10,143
Bristol R1	Swindon1
Woodards 88	Caddis 37
HT 0-1	Att 7,726
Cheltenham3	Southend0
Spencer 20	Caddis 37
Penn 52	Att 7,726
HT 1-0	Att 4,304
Crawley3	Burton Albion0
Davis 22	Att 4,304
HT 0-0	
Dagenham1	Port Vale2
Woodall 23	Myrie-Williams 24
HT 1-1	Att 1,682
Hereford2	Rotherham3
Arquin 34	Mullins 13,65
Facey 42	Revell 23
HT 2-0	Att 1,908
Macclesfield0	Gillingham0
HT 0-0	Att 1,724
Morecambe0	Oxford Utd0
HT 0-0	Att 1,914
Northampton1	Crewe0
Akinfenwa 16	Moore 61
HT 0-0	Att 4,579